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REFERENCES

Report of SA , at Milwaukee
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Chicago letter to Milwaukee dated 1-31-64.
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LEADS:ALBANY DIVISIONAt Albany, New York

Will determine identity of person to whom vehicle registration number is listed to and conduct background investigation to determine if individual is associated with gamblers or is a member of the hoodlum element.

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BALTIMORE DIVISION

At Baltimore, Maryland

Will conduct background investigation on a D. L. PETERSON (trustee), 2521 North Charlotte Street and attempt to determine if this person or concern is involved with the hoodlum element especially interstate gambling.

CHICAGO DIVISION

At La Grange, Illinois

Will conduct background investigation on [REDACTED] [REDACTED], to determine if he is associated with gamblers or the hoodlum element.

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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will attempt to locate and interview [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Kenosha, Wisconsin, for his knowledge of gambling activity in the Kenosha area and also Zion, Illinois. It is to be noted that [REDACTED] has been associated with [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Waukegan, Illinois and may be transporting obscene movie film across the Illinois - Wisconsin state line. Chicago Division has advised that [REDACTED] has been arrested [REDACTED] and has also been observed meeting with subject DE CESARO at DE CESARO's home.

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2. Will remain in contact with developed sources of information who are acquainted with the activities of subjects.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

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1. Will conduct background investigation on IRVING P. BEAR, 8620 North Point Drive, alleged member and associate of IRVING MOSS, 5937 North Shoreland Avenue, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin. Milwaukee will consider interviewing IRVING BEAR. ✓
2. Will follow and report prosecutive action concerning subject's recent arrest for violation of the Internal Revenue Gambling Statutes. ✓
3. Will remain in contact with the Special Assignment Squad, Milwaukee PD, for possible Milwaukee - Kenosha gambling ties involving subjects. ✓
4. Will remain in contact with developed sources of information for current activities of subjects and associates. ✓
5. Will contact the Hertz Rent A Car Corporation, 615 North 5th Street, for information on the sale and disposition of used cars formerly registered to the Hertz Corporation. ✓
6. Will conduct background investigation on RUSSELL A. LOHR, 3059 North Frederick Street, Milwaukee. ✓
7. Will conduct background investigation on [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Brookfield, Wisconsin. ✓

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At Racine, Wisconsin

Will remain in contact with the Racine Special Assignment Squad, Racine, Wisconsin PD for current information on the activities of [REDACTED] Racine, Wisconsin, concerning her current activities and relationship with known area gamblers. ✓

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On 1-20-64 PCI [] advised that on 1-9-64 at 1:25 A.M. he had observed the grey Buick that ALFRED DE CESARO drives and the rose colored Buick that MASARO drives, parked in the vicinity of a light colored brick home on the Northeast corner of the intersection of 10th Avenue and 37th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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PCI stated that he has received information to the effect that the individual who lives at this residence is associated in some form of gambling operation with MASARO and DE CESARO.

He also advised that MASARO continues to work at his place of business, Carl's Delicatessen at the intersection of 63rd Street and 14th Avenue, Kenosha, strictly on an after dinner basis []

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He also stated that he periodically is at his own place of business which is adjacent to Carl's Delicatessen, and that COOKIE SCOLA continues to operate MASARO's business for him during the working day.

On 1-31-64 PCI WILLIAM JAHN advised that the recent Internal Revenue gambling raid at LEAH MULGAARD's Rooming House, 721 Center Street, Racine, Wisconsin, has caused considerable comment in the Racine area, and on a recent evening he had been in the Prime Steak House in Racine, at which time LEAH MOLGAARD was sitting at the bar talking to the bartender. He overheard MOLGAARD make a statement to the bartender that she was the only one that would get hurt as a result of the Internal Revenue gambling raid because she was not going to talk about any others she had been associated with in her gambling operation. He stated that the conversation indicated that MOLGAARD was not going to implicate any others and would take the entire rap herself.

On 2-4-64 [] (protect identity) advised that gambling in Kenosha is strictly an undercover deal with games being conducted on a floating rotation basis at numerous private homes in the Kenosha area. He stated that ALFRED DE CESARO and RALPH MASARO still have a large horse book going in Kenosha, and that both of them are rabid gamblers. He stated that

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On 1-19-64 [redacted] (protect identity), [redacted] advised that Kenosha exchanges [redacted] were listed to [redacted] [redacted] was installed on 7-2-63 at which time the person who identified himself as [redacted] stated that he was employed [redacted] [redacted] and had been so employed for the past four years. [redacted] also advised that Kenosha exchange [redacted] [redacted] was listed to [redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin, which is the home of ALFRED DE CESARO. He stated that there is also another [redacted] at this address with [redacted] [redacted] ALFRED DE CESARO. [redacted] stated that DE CESARO receives and pays [redacted] for both [redacted]

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On 1-19-64 [redacted] [redacted] reviewed the current and past employee records of American Motors Corporation at Kenosha and advised that she has no record of a [redacted] being employed at American Motors Corporation.

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On 2-7-64 SA DONALD JACKSON, Intelligence Division, Internal Revenue Service, advised that search warrant had been executed at the home of ALFRED DE CESARO, 6537 51st Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin, and the agents found numerous sheets of horse bet information with bets accepted written in code and were found in a mailbox to the rear of DE CESARO's home. They also found racing

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AT RACINE, WISCONSIN

On December 26, 1963 Officer [redacted] and Detective [redacted] Special Squad, Racine Police Department, advised that they had observed [redacted] drive up to the vicinity of [redacted], Racine, Wisconsin, residence of [redacted] in a 1960 or 1961 Chevrolet 4-door, gray, bearing Wisconsin registration [redacted]. They advised that [redacted] entered this premise at [redacted] and stayed approximately half an hour.

Officer [redacted] also stated that [redacted] was the current girl friend of [redacted], Racine, Wisconsin, who was an associate of JOHN RIZZO.

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3 Arrested In Kenosha, Racine Raids

By PAUL WEYRICH

Police joined with federal agents Friday in raids on a tavern in Kenosha and a boarding house in Racine which resulted in gambling charges.

Three persons were arrested in the raids, both made at exactly 12:30 p.m. Friday, United States Atty. James Brennan said.

The raids were conducted by a combined force of 45 men, Brennan said.

"This concludes about two months of intensive investigation in the Kenosha-Racine area," he said.

It was alleged there was gambling involving bookmaking operations on horse races and basketball games, carried on between the two locations, one source said.

The Kenosha tavern and Racine boarding house both were surrounded by internal revenue service men and local police officers. Two persons were arrested in Kenosha and the third in Racine.

Most of the activity centered around Kenosha, where the Tip-Z-Top lounge, 4426 Sheridan rd., was raided, authorities said.

Arrested in Kenosha were Peter J. Zocchi, 43, owner of the Kenosha tavern, and John C. Buttera, 56, the janitor, of 720 59th pl., Kenosha.

Zocchi was charged with accepting wagers without possessing a \$50 occupational gambling stamp and with failure to pay 10% excise tax on wagers.

Buttera was released without bond because of some confusion over the wording of the warrant, Kenosha police said. Buttera was ordered to appear in the district attorney's office at 9 a.m. Monday.

In Racine, agents raided the boardinghouse at 721 Center st., near the downtown district, and arrested Mrs. Leah Molgaard, 44, a resident. She was charged under the same counts as Zocchi.

Zocchi appeared before

United States Court Commissioner Edward J. Ruetz in Kenosha, who set bond at \$2,500.

Zocchi posted the bond. His preliminary hearing was set for Jan. 31.

Mrs. Molgaard appeared before Court Commissioner Anthony De Mark in Racine, who set bond at \$500. She was released after signing her own bond. She waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to federal district court in Milwaukee.

Police said that Zocchi had \$233 in cash and gambling paraphernalia in his possession, while Mrs. Molgaard had \$3,700 in cash and gambling paraphernalia in her possession. Federal agents said the paraphernalia consisted of records of wagers.

In Kenosha, a witness said nine cars and over 20 men drove up to the tavern at 12:30 Friday. Three of the cars blocked driveways around the establishment. Several federal men took pictures. The witness said she saw the federal men

carrying hatchets, crowbars and sledgehammers.

The raids were directed by Delbert Skeens, Milwaukee chief of the intelligence division, internal revenue service (IRS).

Buttera opened the door for the raiders, and Zocchi was arrested when he entered the tavern later, a source said.

An IRS spokesman said, "We have worked very closely for two months with the Racine police department."

Kenosha Police Chief J. Leo Buchman was informed of the raid while attending a heart fund luncheon Friday noon. It was learned Kenosha Inspector Robert Bosman sent two detectives with the federal men.

Two detectives and two patrolmen accompanied the raiders in Racine.

Zocchi was arrested June 4, 1963, for keeping his tavern open after hours on the complaint of Alderman Gilbert Dosemagen. He had also been raided last year by Kenosha police, who said they found no wrong doing.

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Two Indictments Allege Gambling

A Kenosha man and a Racine woman, arrested by internal revenue agents in a gambling raid Jan. 18, were indicted by a federal grand jury here Tuesday for failure to buy a federal gambling tax stamp.

Charged were Mrs. Leah Molgaard, 44, who runs a boarding house in Racine, and Peter J. Zocchi, 43, operator of the Tip-Z-Top lounge in Kenosha.

Delbert Skeens, chief of the intelligence division of IRS, said the two apparently worked together on bookmaking activities, including accepting wagers on horse races and basketball games.

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Gambler Aided Agents in Betting Crackdown

An internal revenue service undercover agent who convinced alleged bookmakers that he was a bettor, and a Milwaukee gambler who let agents listen in on his extension telephone, led to the arrest of six men in gambling raids Thursday, according to affidavits filed Tuesday in federal court.

The co-operative gambler has been placed under federal watch as a precaution against reprisal, United States Atty. James B. Brennan said. The arrested men presumably know the gambler's identity, he said.

Edward C. Shannon, assistant chief of the internal revenue service intelligence division, said he did not know why the gambler co-operated. He was not threatened or promised anything, Gunther declared.

The affidavits related the undercover agent's betting activities and the accused gamblers' methods of collecting and paying. The affidavits were drafted in support of search warrants issued before the raids.

Five of the six were charged with accepting bets without buying \$50 federal gambling stamps. They are: Steve Halmo, 71, of 611 N. 20th st.; Robert A. Pick, 42, of 1917 N. 34th

st.; Harvey W. Wachs, 54, of 2863 N. 87th st.; Joseph F. Reder, 56, of 611 N. 20th st., and Charles Piscione, 47, of 1517 N. Van Buren st.

Alfred Frey, 64, of 13040 W. Blue Mound rd., Elm Grove, who was at Pick's home, was charged with aiding and abetting persons violating the federal gambling stamp law.

William F. Ryan, an agent from outside Wisconsin, gained the confidence of alleged Milwaukee gamblers, using the assumed name of John Crowley.

at the McEvoy tavern, 3615 W. Villard av., and placed three bets totaling \$120 on horse races between Feb. 26 and Mar. 2, according to the affidavits.

Agent Robert Getzloff said he monitored conversations of the co-operative gambler with Pick, Halmo and Reder and heard betting discussed.

Ryan said he placed bets with Pick and Reder and collected \$60 in winnings from Wachs. Ryan once left \$100 on a race, said at McEvoy's to cover losses, the affidavit said.

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'20' SUBPENA Kenosha



By JAMES G. WIEGHART

About 20 Kenosha area residents have been subpoenaed for federal grand jury hearings Tuesday and Wednesday at the federal building here on organized gambling.

The witnesses will be questioned primarily on horsebook gambling but the questions will also cover casino type gambling such as craps and poker, it was learned.

United States Atty. James B. Brennan confirmed Monday that the grand jury will conduct hearings Tuesday and Wednesday, but he declined to confirm or deny that the hearings will cover organized gambling activities in the Kenosha area.

Some of the 20 witnesses reportedly are persons who have gambled and lost heavily in the Kenosha gambling operations. Others are persons who

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for one reason or another, have information on the reported gambling operations.

Brennan pointed out that persons are subpoenaed to the federal grand jury hearings to give information on matters under investigation, not necessarily because they are suspected of any wrongdoing.

A government source said Monday that the hearings are

merely a continuation of a concerted investigation into organized gambling in the Kenosha area that has been underway by the intelligence division of the internal revenue service for more than a year.

The Sentinel reported Jan. 25, 1963, that at least seven gambling operations have flourished in Kenosha for several

years. A check by The Sentinel at that time, however, showed that the known gambling joints had closed down, presumably due to "heat" from these two sources.

• A federal, state and local investigation into the gangland type abduction of Kenosha jukebox distributor Anthony J. Biernat Jan. 7, 1963, from the old North Shore line depot parking lot.

(Biernat's beaten and trussed body was found Jan. 27, buried in a lime sprinkled grave in the basement of a vacant farmhouse on the abandoned Bong air force base site.)

• A statement by Gov. Reynolds that "a network of organized crime" exists in Kenosha, Milwaukee and Fond du Lac counties.

The Sentinel disclosed in February, 1963, that the IRS had begun an investigation into organized gambling in the Kenosha area. The investigation was started without the knowledge of local authorities.

In November, 1963, local authorities and state tax agents arrested 13 persons on gambling charges after conducting raids at 11 taverns. Dist. Atty. Joseph Molinaro said the raids involved lottery tickets, foot-

ball tickets, horserace betting and some pinball machine gambling. The raids were apparently not part of the federal investigation, however.

Last month, IRS agents arrested two Kenosha men after raiding a delicatessen, the owner's home and an apartment.

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Grand Jury Indicts 12

The federal grand jury Tuesday indicted 12 persons. Four of the indictments involved gambling charges, and three others charged white slavery. Two of the indictments were impounded. Named in indictments charging they failed to buy the occupational gambling tax stamp were four Kenosha residents and a Racine woman. They are:

Ralph Masaro, 50, operator of Carl's Delicatessen; Alfred E. De Cesaro, 41; Peter Zocchi, 43, operator of the Tip-Z-Top Lounge, and John C. Buttera, 56, all of Kenosha, and Mrs. Leah Molgaard, 44, operator of a Racine rooming house.

Indicted on white slavery charges were:

John Davis, 38, Detroit, his wife, Rose Marie, 30, and Mrs. Jean Wilson, 42, a former Milwaukee resident.

The grand jury also returned indictments against:

• Peter Hurkos, 52, a former Brookfield resident, on a charge of impersonating an FBI agent.

• Ross J. De Francesco, 38, of Melrose Park, Ill., on a charge of attempting to extort money from Dr. Milton Margolis, former medical director of the old Capitol hospital.

Eight persons gave secret testimony to the grand jury Tuesday on gambling activities.

Tuesday's witnesses included five Kenosha men, Richard Swartz, Vincent Covelli, James Salerno, Peter Bruno and Gene Thomas, who operates the Vagabond club. Also testifying was Angelo Germinaro of Zion, Ill., and William (Red) Becker, 35, of 3949 N. 15th st.

Zocchi, Buttera and Mrs. Molgaard were arrested Jan. 17 in raids directed by the intelligence division of the internal revenue service. They reportedly were involved in bookmaking operations on horse races and basketball games.

Mrs. Molgaard had \$3,700 in cash in her possession; Zocchi, \$235, and both had gambling paraphernalia, according to IRS agents.

Masaro and De Cesaro were arrested Feb. 7. Agents reported confiscating \$1,984 in cash and gambling paraphernalia in raids at De Cesaro's home, Masaro's delicatessen and an apartment leased to the two men.

Franklyn M. Gimbel, an assistant United States attorney, said Mrs. Wilson, known here as Jean Wilson, operated Kay's Sandwich shop at 322 W. Walnut st., before the store closed in August. She was arrested by the FBI in Peoria, Ill., on Feb. 20. Mrs. Wilson was charged with transporting a Milwaukee woman to Peoria for prostitution.

In a six count indictment, Davis was charged with traveling across state lines with intent to carry on a business enterprise involving prostitution. He was charged with transporting two women to Milwaukee from San Francisco and from Detroit and taking a 19 year old girl from Milwaukee to Rockford, Ill.

Davis and his wife were charged with taking the girl from Detroit to Milwaukee. Mrs. Davis also was charged with traveling to Milwaukee from San Francisco for purposes of prostitution.

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9 Witnesses Appear Before Grand Jury

The federal grand jury continuing its investigation into Kenosha gambling activities, Wednesday heard secret testimony from nine witnesses.

Among the witnesses, it was learned, was Mortimer Henoch, president of General Vending Co. of Kenosha. Stanley Haukdahl, former Kenosha police chief, is a field representative for General Vending, a comic book vending machine firm. Henoch also owns the Henoch News Agency.

Henoch's cousin, Phillip Henoch, an employee of the agency, also testified.

Also giving testimony were two Kenosha detectives, one of them Abe Toigo. The other could not be identified. Also testifying were the operator of the Rambler Tap in Kenosha, and a Kenosha barber. It was learned.

On Tuesday, the jury heard testimony from eight witnesses, including Peter Bruno, son of Michael Bruno, a Kenosha lieutenant of detectives.

Three indictments returned Wednesday by the grand jury were impounded. A fourth indictment charged Mrs. Gertrude Jefferson, 29, of 2323 W. Cherry st., with possession of two Milwaukee county relief checks, totaling \$73, which were stolen from the mail.

Franklyn M. Gimbel, an assistant United States attorney, said the jury would reconvene on Apr. 14.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

A3 Milwaukee Sentinel
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Date: 3/5/64
Edition: Morning
Author:
Editor: Harry Sonneborn
Title:

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Grand Jury Subpenas 20 on Gambling

Kenosha-Racine Area Probe Began About Two Months Ago; Raids Conducted

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The grand jury started its investigation of gambling in the area about two months ago.

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Five raids have been conducted in Kenosha and Racine since January by internal revenue service agents. The raids were conducted on a tavern, a delicatessen, a home and an apartment in Kenosha and on a Racine boarding house.

Four persons were arrested in the raids and charged with failure to buy a \$50 gambling stamp. They are:

Peter J. Zocchi, 43, operator of the Tip-Z-Top lounge in Kenosha; Mrs. Leah Molgaard, 44, who runs a boarding house near the downtown Racine district; Ralph Masaro, 50, operator of Carl's Delicatessen; and Alfred F. De Cesaro, 41, of Kenosha. De Cesaro accepted wagers from his home and he and Masaro accepted wagers from an apartment they leased according to the internal revenue service.

(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

Milwaukee Journal

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Edition: Latest

Author:

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RECORD OF INFORMATION FURNISHED OTHER AGENCIES

Orally 2-14-64
1-31-64 date By Telephone _____ date Written Communication _____ date

Information concerning:

IRVING MOSS

5932 N. SHORELAND AVE, WHITEFISH BAY, WIS

Information furnished from File, Serial, and Page Number:

166-28, 1A, SURVEILLANCE NOTES OF 1/23/64

Information furnished was obtained:

☒ during course of Bureau investigation☐ from informants☐ from complainants or other sources

Information furnished to:

DET.
CAPT.
SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT SQUAD
MILW. P.D.

Remarks:

The above officers were appraised of the fact that Irving Moss's car, bearing '64 Wis. registration C19-890 was observed in Kenosha, Wis. at which time Al H. Cesaro, subject of captioned file, was also observed meeting with 3 unknown males riding in the car registered to Moss.

This information was furnished to the Special Assignment Squad in view of the possible relationship between Milwaukee and Kenosha gambling operations.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: 4/3/64

FROM : SAC, ALBANY (166-67) (RUC)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR-GAMBLING

(OO: Milwaukee)

Re report of SA [REDACTED], dated
3/4/64, at Milwaukee.

The following investigation was conducted by
IC [REDACTED] Albany, N.Y., on 3/17/64;

[REDACTED] Numeric Register Unit, New York
State Department of Motor Vehicles, Albany, N.Y., advised
that there is no such New York State plate number as
[REDACTED] issued for the year 1964. [REDACTED] did advise,
however, that 1963 plate number [REDACTED] is a legitimate
New York State plate which was issued from the New York
City District Office.

It is being left to the discretion of the office
of origin to determine whether a lead should be set forth
for New York to identify the holder of 1963 license [REDACTED]

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: April 29, 1964

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (P)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee report of SA [REDACTED],
3/4/64.

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Indices of the Chicago Office were negative
with respect to [REDACTED] as were the following agency
checks:

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Records of the La Grange, Illinois Police
Department, which records were checked by
[REDACTED] on March 24, 1964;

Records of the Credit Q Suburban Bureau,
110 West Calendar, La Grange, Illinois,
which records were checked by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] on March 24, 1964;

Above records checked at request of SA PAUL J.
NEUMANN.

Records of the Chicago Credit Bureau, reviewed
by IC [REDACTED] on March 12, 1964, were negative
regarding [REDACTED]

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Police Department checked by IC [REDACTED]
on March 18, 1964, contain no record identifiable to [REDACTED]
on the basis of available identifying data.

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With respect to [redacted] who has previously been of interest in this investigation, an article in the February 13, 1964, addition of the "Waukegan News Sun" captioned "Closed 2 Bars for Gambling", disclosed that on February 12, 1964, two taverns on Sheridan Road were closed by North Chicago, Illinois police. Charged with possession of gambling equipment and operating a gambling house were [redacted]

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[redacted] and his bartender [redacted]

Continuing, the article stated that during a search of Bob's Place, officers found scratch pads, punch boards, tally sheets, a record book with names, the account of bets, and other material.

[redacted] was also searched. Tally sheets were found in his possession and a search of his car revealed additional betting equipment.

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All of those arrested were released on \$300 bond and were to appear in court on February 27, 1964.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will report results of a telephone check on [redacted]

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SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: 4/30/64

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (166-211) -RUC-

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED D. CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING
(OO:MILWAUKEE)

Re report of SA [REDACTED], at Milwaukee
3/4/64.

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Enclosed for Milwaukee is one copy of a booklet describing operation of the firm, Peterson, Howell and Heather, Inc.

Prior contacts with Peterson, Howell and Heather, Inc., formerly of 2521 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland, currently at 2701 N. Charles Street, Baltimore 18, Maryland, have not reflected any indication of association with any illegal activity or hoodlum element.

On 4/24/64, [REDACTED] Peterson, Howell and Heather, Inc., advised SA J. STANLEY ROTZ that his firm currently manages and leases large fleets of automobiles to firms throughout the United States and Canada. This firm currently has 82,000 automobiles under such arrangements and the number of cars leased and managed by the firm is currently increasing at the rate of 6,000 per year. These cars are normally registered in the name of D. L. PETERSON and may have been registered with the former address of the firm, 2521 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

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As indicated in the enclosed booklet, D. L. PETERSON, one of the original founders of this firm in 1946, is now deceased.

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[REDACTED] explained that it would be impractical for the company to attempt to maintain records according to license numbers, which frequently change throughout the country in regard to the cars leased by them.

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All company records are therefore maintained according to the Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN) or serial numbers.

[redacted] checked company records in the names of RUSSELL A. LOHR and [redacted] but found no record concerning them. He stated that he would be happy to furnish any information available concerning cars in Wisconsin if the VINs could be secured and provided to him.

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In the event Milwaukee desires further information in this regard, efforts should be made to secure the VINs of the cars in question.

Date April 30, 1964

IRVING MOSS, 5932 North Shoreland Avenue, Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin, was contacted at his place of business, Alumina-Board Corp., 3225 North 126 Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and advised as follows:

MOSS advised that he owns a 1963 black Chevrolet bearing 1964 Wisconsin registration C19-890 and drove this vehicle in company with [redacted] to Kenosha, Wisconsin on January 23, 1964 for business reasons. He stated that [redacted] was an attorney representing [redacted] Milwaukee building contractor, and [redacted] who has since changed his name to [redacted] also worked for [redacted]. They had gone to Kenosha, Wisconsin on January 23, 1964 for the purpose of securing signatures on various legal papers resulting from a home [redacted] had sold to the proprietor of Salfi Tailors on 60th Street, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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MOSS stated that he observed a man rush into the tailor shop while he was there and this person made a comment to the tailor at Salfi's Tailor Shop that he wanted to look at some cloth. The tailor was busy with [redacted] and this person told the tailor he would be back in the tailor shop later to pick out the cloth as he wanted some suits made.

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MOSS observed numerous photographs of Kenosha gamblers and advised that the photograph of AL DE CESARO was identical with the individual whom he had seen in Salfi's Tailor Shop and asked about having some suits made. MOSS stated that DE CESARO did not mention anything that would indicate that he was in the tailor shop for gambling and MOSS stated that there was nothing passed between DE CESARO and the tailor. He added that DE CESARO appeared to be in a hurry and rushed in and was gone within a minute or so.

MOSS stated that [redacted] does not know the tailor at Salfi's Tailor Shop and that neither he nor none of the men with him on January 23 are gamblers or associate with gamblers.

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On 4/21/64 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28

by SAS [redacted] Date dictated 4/27/64
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Date April 17, 1964b6
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[redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin,
advised as follows:

He is employed by [redacted]
Zion, Illinois and has been with this company since February,
1963. He stated that he has an apartment at [redacted]
[redacted] Zion, Illinois which he maintains as a bachelor apartment
during the work week and then commutes to Kenosha, Wisconsin on
weekends and stays with his parents at the above stated Kenosha
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[redacted] advised that he was arrested in Kenosha, Wisconsin in
1954 [redacted]

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[redacted] He also stated in December, 1963 he was questioned
by Vice Squad officers of the Waukegan, Illinois Police
Department at the Northwestern Railroad Station men's room.
They asked him why he was in the men's room and other questions
without establishing a definite reason. He advised that he
gave the interviewing officers his name and address and then
departed without being arrested or taken down to the police
station. He advised that he did not know what the officers
wanted and he did not see them talk to anyone else or take
anyone away from the railroad station.

[redacted] advised that he does not know [redacted] and the name
means nothing to him. Concerning [redacted]
observed photographs of RALPH MASARO and AL DE CESARO and he
advised that neither of these individuals were known to him and
the names are not familiar to him. [redacted] also observed photo-
graphs of numerous Kenosha and Racine gamblers, and he advised
that none of these individuals were familiar to him. He stated
that he does not gamble and has no interest in such activity.

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The following description of [redacted] was obtained through
interview and personal observation:

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Height
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Build
Date of birth

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On 4/13/64 at Kenosha, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28

by SA [redacted] /lmp Date dictated 4/15/64

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Place of birth
Military service
Education

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of:
Date:SA [REDACTED]
April 30, 1964

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File No.: MI 166-23

Bureau File No.: 166-723

Title: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESAROCharacter: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING -
GAMBLING

Synopsis: Subjects indicted by Federal Grand Jury 3/5/64 for failure to buy occupational gambling tax stamp. RALPH MASARO and AL DE CESARO pleaded not guilty to IRS gambling charges 4/13/64 in Federal Court. Current vehicle registrations for subjects set forth. [REDACTED] denies association with or knowledge of subjects' activities. IRVING MOSS not involved with gambling in Milwaukee or Kenosha. SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

By communication dated April 3, 1964 the Albany Division advised as follows:

On March 17, 1964 [REDACTED] Numeric Register Unit, New York State Department of Motor Vehicles, Albany, New York, advised IC [REDACTED] that there is no such New York State plate number as [REDACTED] listed for the year 1964. [REDACTED] did advise, however, that 1963 plate number [REDACTED] is a legitimate New York State plate which was issued from the New York City District Office.

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AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On March 2, 1964 [redacted] Bureau of Identification, Milwaukee Police Department, reviewed her files and advised that she has no record either criminal or civil for RUSSELL A. LOHR, 3059 North Frederick Street; IRVING P. BEAR, 8620 North Point Drive, Milwaukee, and [redacted] [redacted] Brookfield, Wisconsin.

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On this same date SE [redacted] contacted the Milwaukee Association of Commerce Credit Bureau and obtained the following information as reflected from the Credit Bureau files:

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RUSSELL A. LOHR, 3059 North Farwell, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is employed in a sales capacity with Pabst Brewery, has a date of birth of April 25, 1912, credit is okay but reflects one account on a rotating collection as being slow. The file fails to reflect any adverse entries and no special collections.

[redacted] Brookfield, Wisconsin, is employed [redacted] Baltimore, Maryland, his wife's name is [redacted] He was listed as [redacted] years of age in 1962, has over \$10,000 annual income and his credit is reflected as being in a satisfactory condition.

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IRVING P. BEAR, 8620 North Point Drive, Milwaukee, [redacted] [redacted] has a date of birth as February 16, 1916, is a real estate broker and builder and his credit is listed as satisfactory.

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On April 21, 1964 [redacted]

[redacted] Hertz Rent-A-Car, 615 North Fifth Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, advised that Hertz has a policy of selling their fleet cars after they are a year old because their customers like new models with low mileage. As soon as a car has 3,000 or 4,000 miles on it the company lists them for sale. The buyers are usually used car firms or new car dealers who want to build their inventory with sharp late model, low mileage cars. These cars are priced according to depreciation and are usually sold to Wisconsin buyers.

[redacted] advised that he has not heard of D. L. PETERSON (trustee) concerning his operating out of Baltimore, Maryland and to the best of his knowledge Hertz has not been involved in a business transaction with this concern.

The following article under caption, "Grand Jury Subpenas 20 on Gambling" appeared in the March 3, 1964 edition of "The Milwaukee Journal", at Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

"About 20 persons were subpoenaed for a federal grand jury hearing Tuesday at the federal building on gambling in the Kenosha-Racine area.

"The grand jury started its investigation of gambling in the area about two months ago.

"Some of the witnesses reportedly are persons who have placed bets in establishments in Kenosha and Racine. Others are those who have information on the reported gambling operations.

"Five raids have been conducted in Kenosha and Racine since January by internal revenue service agents. The raids were conducted on a tavern, a delicatessen, a home and an apartment in Kenosha and on a Racine boarding house.

"Four persons were arrested in the raids and charged with failure to buy a \$50 gambling stamp. They are:

[redacted]
[redacted] Ralph Masaro, 50, operator of CARI'S Delicatessen, and Alfred F. De Cesaro, 41, of Kenosha. De Cesaro accepted wagers from his home and he and Masaro accepted wagers from an apartment they leased, according to the internal revenue service."

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Under caption, "9 Witnesses Appear Before Grand Jury," the following information was contained in the March 5, 1964 edition of "the Milwaukee Sentinel," Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

"The federal grand jury continuing its investigation into Kenosha gambling activities, Wednesday heard secret testimony from nine witnesses.

"Among the witnesses, it was learned, was [redacted]

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also testified.

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"Also giving testimony were [redacted]

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[redacted] The other could not be identified. Also testifying were [redacted]

[redacted] it was learned.

"On Tuesday, the jury heard testimony from eight witnesses, including [redacted]

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Under caption, "Grand Jury Indicts 12", the following information was contained in the March 5, 1964 edition of "the Milwaukee Sentinel," Milwaukee, Wisconsin:

"The federal grand jury Tuesday returned 4 indictments involving gambling charges in the Milwaukee area. Two of the indictments were impounded. Named in indictments charging they failed to buy the occupational gambling tax stamp were four Kenosha residents and a Racine woman. They are:

"Ralph Masaro, 50, operator of Carl's Delicatessen; Alfred E. De Cesaro, 41; [redacted]

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[redacted] and John C. Buttera, 56, all of Kenosha. [redacted]

"Eight persons gave secret testimony to the grand jury Tuesday on gambling activities.

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"Tuesday's witnesses included five [redacted]

[redacted]
testifying was [redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] Buttera [redacted] were arrested Jan. 17 in raids directed by the intelligence division of the internal revenue service. They reportedly were involved in bookmaking operations on horse races and basketball games.

[redacted]
[redacted] both in gambling paraphernalia, according to IRS agents.

"Masaro and De Cesaro were arrested Feb. 7. Agents reportedly confiscating \$1,984 in cash and gambling paraphernalia in raids at De Cesaro's home, Masaro's delicatessen and an apartment leased to the two men."

The following current vehicle registration numbers were observed on the cars of RALPH MASARO and AL DE CESARO:

MASARO's current 1965 registration plate number is D2674 and AL DE CESARO's 1965 registration is D2378.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-723)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) - P

RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee airtels to Bureau, 1/29/64 and 4/27/64

On 5/18/64, USA JAMES B. BRENNAN, EDW, Milwaukee, contacted the Milwaukee Office and requested that SA [redacted] be available on 5/25/64 to testify in federal court, Milwaukee, Wis., concerning the gambling case against JOHN BUTTERA, being presented by the Intelligence Division, IRS.

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This testimony will include information developed by SA [redacted] on physical surveillance on JOHN BUTTERA, conducted in Kenosha, Wis., and include observations made in the vicinity of the residence at [redacted], Kenosha, Wisconsin, where BUTTERA was observed entering on various occasions. SA [redacted] will appear and testify in this matter on 5/25/64, UACB.

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-723)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) P
SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee airtel to Bureau 5/18/64.

On 6/1/64 AUSA [] EDW, Milwaukee, was contacted concerning the pending matter in the Federal courts, Milwaukee, Wis., concerning a gambling case against JOHN BUTTERA which is being presented by the Intelligence Division, IRS, Milwaukee.

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In referenced airtel the Bureau advised that SA [] was to testify in Federal Court on 5/25/64 in the above matter but due to matters that have come up since the 5/25/64 date, AUSA [] advised that briefs will be filed on motions made sometime in July and that the trial will not come up until sometime in August.

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It is not known at this time whether the services of SA [] will be required at the future date but the Bureau will be kept advised.

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AIRTEL

AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-723)

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) (P)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee airtels to Bureau dated 1/29/64,
4/27/64, 5/18/64 and 6/1/64.

On 6/3/64 AUSA [] EDW, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, contacted the Milwaukee Office and requested that SA [] be available on 7/8/64 to testify in Federal Court, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, concerning the gambling case against subjects being presented by the Intelligence Division, IRS, Milwaukee.

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This testimony will include information developed by SA [] on physical surveillances of subjects conducted in Kenosha, Wisconsin and will include observations made in the vicinity of the residence at [] Kenosha, Wisconsin where both MASARO and DE CESARO were observed entering and departing on various occasions.

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SA [] will appear and testify in this

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matter on 7/8/64 UACB.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: 6/11/64

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO; ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: MILWAUKEE

Re Milwaukee report of SA [REDACTED],
dated 3/4/64, and Chicago letter to Milwaukee dated 4/29/64.

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Enclosed herewith are nine copies of an FD-302
relating to a check of [REDACTED]
records.

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Records of [REDACTED]
were furnished by [REDACTED]

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Indices at the Chicago Office contain no
references which could be determined to be identical
to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], mentioned in enclosed FD-302.

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No further investigation is being conducted
by the Chicago Office relative to the above individuals
unless specifically requested by Milwaukee.

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Date: 6/16/64

Transmit the following in PLAIN TEXT

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Via AIRTEL

(Priority)

TO: SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (166-581) (RUC)
SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING
(OO: MILWAUKEE)

Re report of SA [redacted], dated
4/30/64 at Milwaukee.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at New York City.

On 5/25/64, [redacted]
Department of Motor Vehicles, New York State, advised
that the 1963 New York license [redacted] bearing 1963
tab [redacted] was an original registration to [redacted]
[redacted] date of birth [redacted]
Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York. His
occupation was listed as a student. This license was
obtained on 9/4/63 and the vehicle was described as a
1961 black Simca sedan. The car was purchased from the
Foster Auto Corp., 484 Bedford Avenue, Pleasantville,
New York. [redacted] was insured by the Great American
Insurance Company, for the period 9/4/63 to 9/4/64.

The indices of the New York Office contain
no identifiable reference to [redacted]

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Approved: J. J. [signature]
Special Agent in Charge

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On 6/16/64 [redacted]
[redacted] Pleasantville, New York, telephone number [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed under the pretext of checking out a
1961 Simca possibly stolen and abandoned in Wisconsin. [redacted]
[redacted] stated that [redacted]
age [redacted] is a student at Marquette University in Milwaukee
and the he was given a 1961 black Simca last September
in order to return to school. [redacted] stated that
she has not heard from [redacted] in several weeks but
does not believe his car to be stolen and she expected
him to arrive home from school in the near future.

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On 6/16/64 [redacted]
[redacted] New York City,
telephone number [redacted] was interviewed under the
same pretext as mentioned above and he advised that the
[redacted] and was in his third
year at Marquette University. [redacted] resides off campus
in an apartment at [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin,
with a roommate named [redacted] stated
that recently this apartment was sublet by [redacted] to
some girls and [redacted] was reportedly enroute home.
[redacted] added that he recently received a postcard
from [redacted] bearing the postmark Ontario, Canada, however
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it is in need of automotive repairs.

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per month for expenses. [redacted] stated that he has
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to Marquette University because of scholastic deficiencies
and the fact that he has had scholastic deficiencies
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enrolled in a liberal arts course.

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Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: June 20, 1964

Office: MILWAUKEE

Field Office File No.: MI 166-28

Bureau File No.: 166-723

Title: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESAROCharacter: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING -
GAMBLING

Synopsis:

[REDACTED] who has been observed with subject DE CESARO at his personal residence, arrested North Chicago area for possession of gambling equipment. No record for [REDACTED] with Chicago PD. No indication of association with any illegal activity or hoodlum element by D. L. PETERSON, Baltimore, Maryland. [REDACTED] set forth for [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS:AT BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

By communication dated April 30, 1964 the Baltimore Division advised as follows:

Prior contacts with Peterson, Howell and Heather, Inc., formerly of 2521 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland, currently at 2701 N. Charles Street, Baltimore 18, Maryland,

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have not reflected any indication of association with any illegal activity or hoodlum element.

On April 24, 1964, [redacted]

[redacted] Peterson, Howell and Heather, Inc., advised SA J. STANLEY HOTZ that his firm currently manages and leases large fleets of automobiles to firms throughout the United States and Canada. This firm currently has 32,000 automobiles under such arrangements and the number of cars leased and managed by the firm is currently increasing at the rate of 6,000 per year. These cars are normally registered in the name of D. L. PETERSON and may have been registered with the former address of the firm, 2521 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

[redacted] explained that it would be impractical for the company to attempt to maintain records according to license numbers, which frequently change throughout the country in regard to the cars leased by them.

All company records are therefore maintained according to the Vehicle Identification Numbers (VIN) or serial numbers.

[redacted] checked company records in the names of RUSSELL A. LOHR and [redacted] but found no record concerning them.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

By communication dated April 29, 1964 the Chicago Division advised as follows:

Indices of the Chicago Office were negative with respect to [redacted] as were the following agency checks:

Records of the La Grange, Illinois Police Department, which records were checked by [redacted] on March 24, 1964;

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Records of the Credit & Suburban Bureau,
110 West Calender, La Grange, Illinois,
which records were checked by [redacted]
[redacted] on March 24, 1964.

Records of the Chicago Credit Bureau, reviewed by IC [redacted]
[redacted] on March 12, 1964, were negative
regarding [redacted]

Police Department checked by IC [redacted]
on March 18, 1964, contain no record identifiable to [redacted]
on the basis of available identifying data.

With respect to [redacted] who has previously
been of interest in this investigation, an article
in the February 13, 1964 addition of the "Waukegan
News Sun" captioned "Closed 2 Bars for Gambling",
disclosed that on February 12, 1964, two taverns on
Sheridan Road were closed by North Chicago, Illinois
police. Charged with possession of gambling equipment
and operating a gambling house were [redacted]

[redacted] and his bartender [redacted]

Continuing the article stated that during a search of
Bob's Place, officers found scratch pads, punch boards,
tally sheets, a record book with names, the account of bets,
and other material.

[redacted] was also searched. Tally sheets were
found in his possession and a search of his car revealed
additional betting equipment.

All of those arrested were released on \$300 bond and
were to appear in court on February 27, 1964.

By communication dated June 11, 1964 the Chicago Division
advised that the indices of the Chicago Office contained no
reference which could be determined to be identical to
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Date April 24, 1964

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On 4/16/64 at Chicago, Illinois File # NI 100-28
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by IC /phk Date dictated 4/20/64

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AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On May 18, 1964 Bureau Agents observed that the Pink Poodle, Inc., located at 60th and 22nd Avenue, Kenosha, Wisconsin, was out of business and a large painted sign appeared in the window advising that the business would be moved to 1707 Washington Street, Waukegan, Illinois, telephone number 244-3340 on June 1, 1964.

On June 18, 1964 the home of ALFRED DE CESARO, 6537 51st Avenue was checked and it was noted that a for sale sign appears in the front yard at this address.

AT NEW YORK CITY

By communication dated June 16, 1964 New York Division advised as follows:

On May 25, 1964 [redacted] Department of Motor Vehicles, New York, advised SA [redacted] that the 1963 New York license [redacted] bearing 1963 tab [redacted] was an original registration to [redacted] date of birth [redacted]

[redacted] Pleasantville, Westchester County, New York. His occupation was listed as a student. This license was obtained on September 4, 1963 and the vehicle was described as a 1961 black Simca sedan. The car was purchased from the Foster Auto Corp., 484 Bedford Avenue, Pleasantville, New York. [redacted] was insured by the Great American Insurance Company, for the period 9/4/63 to 9/4/64.

The indices of the New York Office contain no identifiable reference to [redacted]

On June 16, 1964 [redacted] Pleasantville, New York, telephone number [redacted] was interviewed under the pretext of checking out a

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1961 Simca possibly stolen and abandoned in Wisconsin.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] age [redacted] is a student at Marquette University in Milwaukee and that he was given a 1961 black Simca last September in order to return to school. [redacted] stated that she has not heard from [redacted] in several weeks but does not believe his car to be stolen and she expected him to arrive home from school in the near future.

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On June 16, 1964 [redacted]

[redacted] New York City, telephone number [redacted] was interviewed under the same pretext as mentioned above and he advised that the [redacted] and was in his third year at Marquette University. [redacted] resides off campus in an apartment at [redacted] Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with a roommate named [redacted] stated that recently this apartment was sublet by [redacted] to some girls and [redacted] was reportedly enroute home. [redacted] added that he recently received a postcard from [redacted] bearing the postmark Ontario, Canada, however he does not believe that the Simca is in his possession because it is in need of automotive repairs.

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United States Department of Justice

UNITED STATES ATTORNEY

EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN
MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN 53202

July 13, 1964

Mr. Richard J. Baker
Special Agent in Charge
735 Federal Building
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Re: U.S. v. Masaro & DeCesaro.
64-CR-27 - E. D. Wis.
U.S.A. # 15015

Dear Sir:

Please be advised that the above-named defendants were tried before the Honorable Kenneth P. Grubb, U.S. District Judge commencing on July 8, 1964. On July 9, the trial was concluded and Judge Grubb found both of the defendants guilty as charged in the Indictment with wilful failure to pay the special occupational tax -- wagering before engaging in that business, in violation of Section 7203, Title 26, U.S. Code of Laws. The Court ordered a pre-sentence investigation.

We wish to particularly thank your agency and its excellent cooperation with the Intelligence Division, Internal Revenue Service, Milwaukee, Wis. in the investigation, preparation, and trial of this case.

SA [redacted] did an outstanding job in testifying to detailed surveillance of the defendants. We are sure that his testimony was instrumental in the conviction of these defendants.

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Yours very truly,

JAMES B. BRENNAN
United States Attorney

By

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Assistant U. S. Attorney

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (166-134)(RUC)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

DATE: 9/29/64

Rerep SA [REDACTED] 6/30/64 at
Milwaukee.

The 1964-1965 Waukegan, Illinois, telephone directory reflects that telephone number 244-3340 is issued to Poodles, Inc., 1707 Washington St., Waukegan.

A check of the premises at 1707 Washington St., Waukegan, by SA JOSEPH B. GRAFF on 8/7/64 determined that Poodles, Inc., occupy this one-story building, and the firm is engaged in dog grooming. No one was observed in the store on this date.

On 8/13/64, [REDACTED] who is familiar with gambling and the hoodlum element in Kenosha, Wis., advised that he would determine if DE CESARO [REDACTED] were in Waukegan, and if subjects were engaged in gambling activities in the Milwaukee area.

On 8/28/64 and 8/31/64, [REDACTED] was recontacted and stated that he had been in the above store and the owners appeared to be a young couple. He did not see DE CESARO, who he knows, and did not believe that [REDACTED] was there, as the couple were quite young.

On 9/10/64, [REDACTED] advised that he was in Kenosha recently, and learned that Mr. [REDACTED] DE CESARO had moved to a new address in Kenosha, and their new telephone number is OL 8-1439.

On 9/24/64, [REDACTED] Credit Bureau

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of Waukegan, -North Chicago, 405¹/₂ Washington Street, Waukegan, advised that he has no record of Poodles, Inc., but his records reveal that ALFRED DE CESARO, [redacted] who have been on file since 7/27/60, reside at 6537 51st Avenue, Kenosha, and prior to 7/27/60, they lived at 6028 33rd Avenue, Kenosha, for 19 years; that he is self-employed in Family Shoe Outlet, that he was born 5/29/22; that Olson Rugs & Carpet Company, Waukegan, made an inquiry on 7/27/60, and on 12/9/60, this bureau received a delinquent notice from the "Waukegan News-Sun," Waukegan, indicating the creditor was [redacted], [redacted] Kenosha. [redacted] stated he did not receive a second notice, so that this matter must have been cleared upon receipt of the first notice.

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On 9/24/64, [redacted] Waukegan, advised that he knows the owners of Poodles, Inc., 1707 Washington Street, to be [redacted] who opened this shop several months ago, after moving from Racine or Kenosha, Wis. He stated they are a very young couple and moved their business from Wisconsin to Waukegan because most of their customers at their business in Wisconsin were from Illinois. He is certain the only business conducted at this shop concerns the grooming of dogs.

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On 9/24/64, [redacted] Bureau of Identification, Waukegan Police Department, advised that he had no record of ALFRED [redacted].

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On 9/2/64, [redacted] (protect identity) advised that on 5/18/64, [redacted] He stated that the officers of this firm are [redacted] and their home [redacted] Waukegan, and they have a Kenosha [redacted]

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A physical check was again made at 1707 Washington St., 9/24/64, by SA GRAFF, and nothing unusual was noted, as everyone who entered either took a dog in or departed with a dog.

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REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 9/30/64	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/24/64 - 9/26/64
TITLE OF CASE RALPH A. MASARO; ALFRED DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.	TYPED BY jb
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

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LEADSCHICAGO OFFICE

One copy of this report is being furnished the Chicago Office for information in view of interest in the activities of Subjects and pending investigation still outstanding that office in this matter.

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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will maintain contact with informants and logical sources in the Kenosha-Racine, Wisconsin area for any information relating to the current activities of Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO.
2. Will follow and report prosecutive action taken in U.S. District Court, EDW, Milwaukee, of Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO for violation Section 7203, Title 26, USC (failure to purchase wagering stamp) and Internal Revenue Gambling Statute.

ADMINISTRATIVE

On 8/24/64 [] advised that RALPH MASARO is a very ill man and is currently at the University Hospital, Madison, Wisconsin where he underwent surgery and lung cancer was found. Informant said that according to talk on the west side MASARO has but six months to a year to live.

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On 9/26/64 [] advised that MASARO is still at the University Hospital in Madison undergoing cobalt treatment. One lung was removed due to presence of cancer and a story is circulating in Kenosha that his days definitely are numbered as all the traces of cancer were not removed or could not be removed. Informant added that AL DE CESARO's current activities were not known as he has not been seen around the west side in Kenosha of late.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR. Office: MILWAUKEE
Date: September 30, 1964

Field Office File No.: MI 166-28

Bureau File No.: 166-723

Title: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESAROCharacter: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN
AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis: AUSA [REDACTED] EDW, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on 7/13/64 furnished information that Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO, Criminal Docket No. 64-CR-27, in trial before the Honorable KENNETH P. GRUEB, Judge, U.S.D.C., EDW, Milwaukee, on 7/8-9/64 were found guilty of the indictment charging willful failure to pay special occupational tax - wagering before engaging in that business in violation Section 7203, Title 26, USC. Pre-sentence ordered on 7/9/64. As of 9/25/64 records of the USA, EDW, Milwaukee, reflect results of pre-sentence investigation not yet returned and date for sentencing of Subjects has not been set by court. SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

On July 13, 1964 Assistant United States Attorney [REDACTED] Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, by letter advised that Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO under Criminal Docket Number 64-CR-27 appeared on trial before the Honorable KENNETH P. GRUEB, Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin on July 8 and 9, 1964 and were found guilty by the court of the federal indictment charging willful failure to pay special occupational tax - wagering before engaging in that business in violation of Section 7203, Title

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26, United States Code. A pre-sentence investigation was ordered by the court on July 9, 1964.

On August 28, 1964 [redacted], Office of the United States Attorney, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, advised that review of their file Number 15015 relating to Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO revealed information that on March 3, 1964 an indictment was returned true bill by the U.S. Grand Jury, Eastern District of Wisconsin at Milwaukee charging RALPH A. MASARO and ALFRED DE CESARO with violation Section 7203, Title 26, U.S. Code, for having willfully failed to pay a special occupation tax - wagering before engaging in that business.

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The file also reflects that in a trial held before the Honorable KENNETH P. GRUBB, Judge, U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, on July 8 and 9, 1964, both MASARO and DE CESARO were found guilty as charged in the indictment and pre-sentence was ordered on that date by the court. [redacted] added that as of August 28, 1964 the results of the pre-sentence investigation have not been completed.

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On September 9 and 25, 1964 [redacted] Supra, when re-contacted telephonically, advised the results of the pre-sentence investigation had not yet been reported as to Subjects MASARO and DE CESARO and that the date for sentencing of these individuals has not yet been set by the court.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 12/4/64	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/7/64 - 11/25/64
TITLE OF CASE RALPH A. MASARO; ALFRED DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr.	TYPED BY eak
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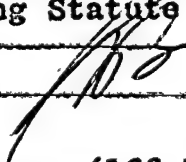
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LEADSMILWAUKEEAt Kenosha, Wis.

(1) Will maintain contact with informants and logical sources in Racine-Kenosha area for info relating to current activities of Subjects.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Period of this report is extended to include investigation conducted from 8/7/64 through 9/24/64 by the Chicago Office, results of which were not available for inclusion in rerep.

On 8/13/64 [] who is familiar with gambling and the hoodlum element in Kenosha, Wis., advised he would determine if DE CESARO [] were in Waukegan, Ill. and if Subjects were engaged in gambling activities in the Milwaukee area.

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On 8/28/64 and 8/31/64 [] was recontacted and stated he had been in Poodles Inc., 1707 Washington St., Waukegan, Ill., and the owners and operators of this establishment appeared to be a young couple. Informant said he did not see DE CESARO, whom he knows, and he did not believe [] was there as the couple was quite young.

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On 9/10/64 [] advised he was in Kenosha, Wis. very recently and learned that Mr. [] had moved to a new address in Kenosha, and their new telephone number is OLYmpic 8-1439.

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On 9/2/64 [] advised that on 5/18/64 [] was installed for Poodles Inc., 1707 Washington St., Waukegan. He said the officers of this firm are []

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[] stated this couple has a Kenosha [] issued to them, []

On 10/16/64 [] advised SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr. that nothing has been seen or heard of Subject DE CESARO since his appearance in USDC, Milwaukee, Wis., nor has there been any new info learned about RALPH MASARO's health except that MASARO has not long to go.

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On 11/10/64 PCI [] advised SA HIGGINS that DE CESARO has now gone "straight" and has obtained a job as a liquor salesman for the Racine Beverage Co., Racine, Wis. According to informant, MASARO is supposed to be very ill with lung cancer.

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On 11/25/64 [] advised SA HIGGINS that no new information has been learned regarding DE CESARO and RALPH MASARO and, as far as known, both have dropped completely out of circulation in Kenosha, Wis.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr. Office: MILWAUKEE
Date: 12/4/64

Field Office File No.: MI 166-28 Bureau File No.: 166-723

Title: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESAROCharacter: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING -
GAMBLING

Synopsis: Investigation at Waukegan, Ill. reflects Poodles Inc. is located at 1707 Washington St., Waukegan, Ill., and operated by a young couple identified as [redacted] who came there from either Kenosha or Racine, Wis. Review of 1964 City of Kenosha Directory and Street Guide includes listing of ALFRED F. [redacted] DE CESARO at 6537 51st Ave., Kenosha, telephone 658-1439, with occupation described as Vice President-Treasurer, Poodles Inc., [redacted] of that organization at old location of 2210 60th St., Kenosha, now vacated. The August, 1964 issue of the Wis. Telephone Co. Directory for the City of Kenosha contains no listings in the names of DE CESARO or Poodles Inc. The 10/13/64 issue of the "Kenosha Evening News," newspaper at Kenosha, Wis., carried press release that on 10/12/64 DE CESARO was fined \$1,000 and placed on two years probation in USDC, EDW, Milwaukee, Wis., on charge of failure to purchase a Federal gambling stamp. SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS: AT WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

The 1964-1965 Waukegan Telephone Directory reflects that telephone number 244-3340 is issued to Poodles, Inc., 1707 Washington Street, Waukegan.

A check of the premises at 1707 Washington Street, Waukegan, by SA JOSEPH B. GRAFF on August 7, 1964, determined that

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Poodles, Inc. occupy this one-story building, and the firm is engaged in dog grooming. No one was observed in the store on this date.

On September 24, 1964 [redacted] Credit Bureau of Waukegan-North Chicago, 405½ Washington Street, advised he has no record of Poodles, Inc., but his records reveal ALFRED DE CESARO [redacted] who have been on file since July 27, 1960, reside at 6537 51st Avenue, Kenosha, and, prior to July 27, 1960, they lived at 6028 33rd Avenue, Kenosha, for 19 years. [redacted] further advised his records reflect DE CESARO was self-employed in a family shoe outlet; that he was born May 29, 1922; that Olson Rugs and Carpet Company, Waukegan, made an inquiry on July 27, 1960, and on December 9, 1960 this bureau received a delinquent notice from the "Waukegan News Sun," Waukegan, indicating the creditor was [redacted] Kenosha. [redacted] stated he did not receive a second notice so that this matter must have been cleared upon receipt of the first notice.

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On September 24, 1964 [redacted] [redacted] Waukegan, advised he knows the owners of Poodles, Inc., 1707 Washington Street, to be [redacted] [redacted] who opened this shop several months ago after moving from Racine or Kenosha, Wisconsin. He stated they are a very young couple and moved their business from Wisconsin to Waukegan because most of their customers at their business in Wisconsin were from Illinois. He is certain the only business conducted at this shop concerns the grooming of dogs.

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On September 24, 1964 [redacted] Bureau of Identification, Waukegan Police Department, advised he had no record of ALFRED [redacted]

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A physical check was again made at 1707 Washington Street on September 24, 1964 by SA GRAFF, and nothing unusual was noted as everyone who entered either took a dog in or departed with a dog.

AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

A review of the 1964 City of Kenosha Directory and Street Guide revealed a listing therein for ALFRED F. [redacted]

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[redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin, telephone number [redacted] with occupation described as Vice President-Treasurer of Poodles Inc., [redacted] of that concern at the old location of 2210 60th Street, Kenosha.

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The August, 1964 issue of the Wisconsin Telephone Directory for the City of Kenosha contained no listings in the names of DE CESARO or Poodles Inc.

On November 25, 1964 a physical check of the area at 2210 60th Street, Kenosha, revealed this space was empty and was apparently undergoing renovation.

The October 13, 1964 issue of the "Kenosha Evening News," a daily newspaper published at Kenosha, Wisconsin, carried a press release to the effect that on October 12, 1964 ALFRED F. DE CESARO, age 42, of 6537 51st Avenue, Kenosha, was fined \$1,000 and placed on two years probation by the Honorable KENNETH P. GRUBB, Judge, U. S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The article further indicated DE CESARO and RALPH A. MASARO, age 56, of 5524 63rd Street, Kenosha, were arrested on February 7, 1964 for failure to purchase a \$50 Federal gambling stamp by agents of the Internal Revenue Service. IRS Agents raided DE CESARO's home, a delicatessen owned by MASARO and an apartment leased by the two men. Following the raid, more than \$1,900 in cash and gambling paraphernalia were reportedly confiscated. The article also indicated that Judge GRUBB found the two men guilty on July 9, 1964, and MASARO is still awaiting sentencing.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 2/26/65	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 1/15/65 - 2/20/65
TITLE OF CASE RALPH A. MASARO; ALFRED DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr.	TYPED BY eak
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr., 12/4/64, Milwaukee.

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LEADSMILWAUKEEAt Kenosha, Wis.

(1) Will maintain contact with informants and logical sources in Racine-Kenosha area for info relating to current activities of Subjects.

(2) Will ascertain if Subject DE CESARO is residing at 4204 Green Bay Rd., Kenosha, and determine identity of [REDACTED] presently residing Subject DE CESARO's old residence at [REDACTED], Kenosha.

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At Milwaukee, Wis.

Will obtain [REDACTED]
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On 1/15/65, [REDACTED] advised SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr. that Subjects have not been seen for some time in the west side Italian section of Kenosha, Wis. The only talk heard about either of them concerned MASARO, and this was to the effect that he was pretty bad off physically with lung cancer.

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On 1/28/65, [REDACTED] advised SA HIGGINS that the gambling activities in Kenosha, Wis, remain much the same, with little illegal activity going on in the city amongst the regular hoodlum element except for "horse book" and sports bets. Informant said this is done mostly by one GENE THOMAS, of "The Office Lounge," and one "SKEINS" SALERNO. Informant said MASARO is very ill with cancer, and nothing is heard about him except in respect to this illness. DE CESARO has not been seen around Kenosha in quite some time.

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On 2/20/65, [REDACTED] advised SA HIGGINS that there is practically no talk of gambling amongst the Italian-American hoodlum element in Kenosha's west side and no mention is made by anyone of either MASARO or DE CESARO.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr. Office: MILWAUKEE
Date: 2/26/65

Field Office File No.: MI 166-28 Bureau File No.: 166-723

Title: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING -
GAMBLING

Synopsis:

Inquiry reflects an ALFRED F. DE CESARO is currently listed as residing at 4204 Green Bay Rd., Kenosha, Wis., telephone number 652-7446. Investigation reflects a [redacted] is residing [redacted] Kenosha, former residence of Subject DE CESARO. The 1/23/65 issue of the "Kenosha Evening News" carried press release that on 1/22/65 MASARO was fined \$1,000 and placed on 2 years probation in USDC, Milwaukee, Wis., on charge of failure to purchase Federal gambling stamp. SUBJECTS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS.

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DETAILS: AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On January 25, 1965, SA [redacted] observed a beige colored 1961 Rambler Station Wagon, with 1965 Wisconsin license plates, parked on the driveway of the former residence of AL DE CESARO at [redacted] Kenosha. Subsequent check of this vehicle revealed it was listed to a [redacted] residing at [redacted] Kenosha.

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Contact of the Information Operator of the Kenosha office of the Wisconsin Telephone Company on January 25, 1965 revealed a [redacted] residing at [redacted] Kenosha, was subscriber to telephone number [redacted] at that address.

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The Information Operator also advised on January 25, 1965 that a listing was had of one ALFRED F. DE CESARO at 4204

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Green Bay Road, Kenosha, Wisconsin, to whom telephone number 652-7446 was issued.

The January 23, 1965 issue of the "Kenosha Evening News," a daily newspaper published at Kenosha, Wisconsin, carried a press release to the effect that on Friday, January 22, 1965, RALPH MASARO, age 55, a Kenosha delicatessen operator, was fined \$1,000 and placed on two years probation in U. S. District Court, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, after having been found guilty on July 9, 1964 of failure to purchase a \$50 Federal gambling tax stamp and for which he was arrested in February, 1964 by Federal Internal Revenue Agents.

On February 8, 1965, Deputy [redacted] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised he had recently observed RALPH MASARO on the street in Kenosha, and he was shocked at his physical appearance. [redacted] said MASARO has lost a considerable amount of weight in the past two or three months, and his present appearance lends credence to the many stories about his having cancer and that he does not have long to live.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
M E M O R A N D U M

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI
ATTN: GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Date: 3/22/65

FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (66-1772)

SUBJECT: PENDING CRIMINAL CASES OPENED PRIOR
TO 3/15/64, MILWAUKEE DIVISION
and
MATTERS PENDING PROSECUTION SIX MONTHS,
MILWAUKEE DIVISION

Re Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 3, Page 29
(11).

Enclosed herewith are three copies of a list of pending criminal
cases, Milwaukee Origin, opened prior to March 15, 1964, and matters
pending prosecution for more than six months as of March 15, 1965.

3 - Bureau (Encs. 42)
54 - Milwaukee (66-1772)

(1 - 7-317)	(1 - 49-429)
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(1 - 26-13005)	(1 - 88-2677)
(1 - 26-13128)	(1 - 88-2733)
(1 - 26-13377)	(1 - 88-2763)
(1 - 29-554)	(1 - 88-2906)
(1 - 29-624)	(1 - 88-2921)
(1 - 31-2963)	(1 - 91-1575)
(1 - 31-2985)	(1 - 91-1601)
(1 - 31-3025)	(1 - 91-1628)
(1 - 42-4512)	(1 - 91-1664)
(1 - 42-4415)	(1 - 91-1671)
(1 - 42-4544)	(1 - 165-43)
(1 - 42-4573)	(1 - 165-107)
(1 - 49-320)	(1 - 165-128)
(1 - 49-420)	(1 - 166-28)
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**PENDING CRIMINAL CASES OPENED PRIOR TO
3/15/64, AND MATTERS PENDING PROSECUTION
SIX MONTHS, MILWAUKEE DIVISION**

Classification 166

Title:	RALPH A. MASARO; ALFRED DE CESARO
Character:	ITAR - GAMBLING
Bufile:	166-723
Mifile:	166-28
Reason Pending Status:	Continuing Progress investigation
Prosecution Authorized:	None
Taken into Federal Custody:	No
Absence Federal Prosecution to Date:	No process
Completion Federal Prosecution:	Continuing efforts to develop violation.

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Character:	ITAR - GAMBLING	b7C
Bufile:	166-1192	
Mifile:	166-66	
Reason Pending Status:	Investigations to develop violation	
Prosecution Authorized:	None	
Taken into Federal Custody:	No	
Absence Federal Prosecution to Date:	No prosecutions to date	
Completion Federal Prosecution:	Contingent upon investigative development.	

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date April 1, 1965

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subpoena duces tecum issued to [redacted]
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On 3/26/65 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28
by SA [redacted] /mp Date dictated 3/26/65

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AIR MAIL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (166-723)
FROM: SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) -P-
SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR-GAMBLING
OO: MILWAUKEE

Re MI-airtel to Bureau 6/8/64 in which it was stated that AUSA [redacted] EDW, Milwaukee, had requested SA [redacted] to testify in USDC, Milwaukee, concerning the gambling case against subjects being presented by IRS.

On 4/13/65 AUSA [redacted] advised that at the time of DE CESARO's arrest by IRS they seized a 1962 Buick which subject was using in his gambling activities. According to AUSA [redacted] an action is being tried in USDC on 4/29/65 in which the Government is attempting to perfect its forfeiture of the 1962 Buick and it is necessary that they have SA [redacted] testimony in connection with investigation he conducted in captioned case.

The trial is set for the morning of 4/29/65 and AUSA [redacted] requested that SA [redacted] be available for a pre-trial conference the afternoon of 4/28/65. SA [redacted] who is presently assigned to Philadelphia Office, will appear for this trial, UACB.

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RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

OO: MILWAUKEE

Records of [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] reflect subject ALFRED DE CESARO,
4204 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, Wisconsin, [REDACTED]

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CHICAGO DIVISION

at Blue Island, Illinois

Will ascertain identity [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and determine background
through credit and criminal checks in effort to develop
whether subscriber is associated with the hoodlum element
in that area.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: June 24, 1964

FROM : *JV* SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: RALPH A. MASARO;
ET AL
ITAR - GAMBLING

(OO: Milwaukee)

Through a public service offered by the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Blue Island, Illinois, it was determined that telephone number FU 5-4030 is a public telephone listed to Foremost Liquors, 2342 Burr Oak, Blue Island, Illinois. The individual to contact regarding the phone is

Foremost Liquors

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Chicago indices are negative regarding the above individuals. Foremost Liquors are franchised package stores located throughout the Chicago area. In view of the fact that this telephone is available to the public, no further inquiry is contemplated.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONCopy to: **1-USA, MILWAUKEE**Report of: **SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.**
Date: **7/6/65**Office: **MILWAUKEE**Field Office File #: **MI 166-28**Bureau File #: **166-723**Title:
**RALPH A. MASARO;
ALFRED DE CESARO**Character: **INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING**

Synopsis: **RALPH A. MASARO** of 5524 63rd St., Kenosha, Wis. at age of 56, died 5/15/65 at the Kenosha Memorial Hospital, Kenosha, of cancer. Subject **AL DE CESARO** on 4/29/65, at Milwaukee, Wis. volunteered information that he is a liquor salesman for the Lake Shore Liquor Co. of Racine, has sold his former residence on 51st Ave., Kenosha, and now resides on Green Bay Rd. (Hwy. 31), Kenosha, where [redacted] a poodle-dog grooming care service known as "Poodle City". Det. [redacted] Kenosha PD, on 5/24/65, advised no information was had by that department that **DE CESARO** had resumed any gambling activities whatever.

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DETAILS:**AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN**

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On April 29, 1965, ALFRED DE CESARO while awaiting a recess in his case before the U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin, Milwaukee as to seizure of his automobile by the Internal Revenue Service, voluntarily advised SA [redacted], that he is currently employed by a firm called the Lake Shore Liquor Co. of Racine, Wisconsin as a route liquor salesman. DE CESARO services accounts in the Kenosha, Wisconsin area and obtains liquor orders for brands of liquor offered by the Lake Shore Liquor Co. These orders are then made up by the company and delivered. DE CESARO advised he anticipates an annual salary of \$8,000-10,000 a year and receives both salary and commission from his total sales.

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DE CESARO also said RALPH MASARO was then a very sick man and has received Cobalt treatments from the University Hospital at Madison, Wisconsin for lung cancer. MASARO is now allegedly at home having sold or otherwise disposed of the Carl's Delicatessen Store on 63rd & 14th Ave., and as of the current week has been ordered not to drive an automobile. His condition is such that he has lost considerable weight and is sinking fast. DE CESARO added he, himself, has sold his former residence on 51st Avenue, Kenosha and is now residing on Green Bay Road (Highway 31), Kenosha where he operates a business known as "Poodle City". His business is mainly operated by [redacted] and she is breeding various strains of poodles as well as handling the dog grooming.

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AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On May 17, 1965, an obituary notice appeared in the "Kenosha Evening News", a daily newspaper published at Kenosha to the effect that RALPH MASARO, age 56, of 5524 63rd Street, Kenosha, died at the Kenosha Memorial Hospital on Saturday morning (May 15, 1965) following a long illness. MASARO was born August 20, 1908 in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania and as a child moved to Kenosha where he received his education in local schools. The article went on to relate that on May 15, 1955 in Mississippi he married [redacted]

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MASARO owned and operated Carl's Delicatessen Store located at 6228 14th Avenue, Kenosha. The notice indicated that besides his widow there is surviving [redacted]

[redacted] all at home, [redacted] of Antioch, Illinois. MASARO is also survived by his stepfather, ANTHONY MOLINARO: [redacted]

[redacted] all of Kenosha. MASARO is preceded in death by his mother,

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ANGELINE, and by his sister Mrs. ANN CAVIN.

On May 24, 1965, Detective [redacted] Detective Bureau, Kenosha Police Department, advised that AL DE CESARO now resides in a new ranch-style home located on the southwest corner of Highway 31 (Green Bay Road) and the intersection with Highway 43 (Washington Park Street), Kenosha. [redacted]

[redacted] poodle grooming service at the home, known as "Poodle City" and DE CESARO himself is working as a liquor salesman for Racine, Wisconsin liquor company. Absolutely no information has been developed by that department indicating DE CESARO is in any way involved in any gambling activities or that he has attempted to resume such operations in the Kenosha area.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE Milwaukee	OFFICE OF ORIGIN Milwaukee	DATE 8/20/65	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 7/20/65 - 8/17/65
TITLE OF CASE CHANGED: ALFRED DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.	TYPED BY BB
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

Title is marked changed to reflect deletion of the name of RALPH A. MASARO who died 5/15/65 at Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Reference

Report of SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR. at Milwaukee 7/6/65.

LEADSTHE MILWAUKEE DIVISIONAt Kenosha, Wis.

Will continue contact with informants and logical sources in the Kenosha-Racine area for information relating to the current activities of subject DE CESARO.

At Milwaukee, Wis.

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Will at [redacted] obtain
[redacted] for ALFRED F. DE CESARO,
4204 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, Wis., [redacted]
[redacted]

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ADMINISTRATIVE

On 7/20/65 [redacted] advised SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR., that ALFRED DE CESARO is definitely not gambling but has gone legitimate as a liquor salesman and is doing real well by that occupation. Informant said that RALPH MASARO, former partner of DE CESARO before he died in May of 1965 sold out all of his interest to the CARL's Delicatessen Store on 63rd and 14th Avenue, to CARL "Cookie" SCOLA. Informant added that no information was known whether SCOLA has acquired another partner in the place of MASARO.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr.
Date: August 20, 1965

Office: Milwaukee

Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 106-723

Title: ALFRED DE CESARO

Character:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis:

Detective [] Detective Bureau Police Department City of Kenosha, Wis., on 8/17/65 advised he possessed no information from any source whatever that subject DE CESARO is engaged in any activity other than as a legitimate liquor salesman for the Lake Shore Liquor and Beverage Company, Racine, Wisconsin. Investigation continues.

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DETAILS:

AT KENOSHA, WIS.

On August 17, 1965, Detective [] Detective Bureau Police Department, City of Kenosha, Wis., advised that he has continued to closely follow the activities of subject AL DE CESARO in the past several months, but possessed no information from any of his sources close to DE CESARO indicating the latter is engaged in any activity other than as a legitimate liquor salesman for the Lake Shore Liquor and Beverage Company of Racine, Wisconsin.

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On August 17, 1965 review of the 1965 issue of the city of Racine alphabetical and street guide directory reflected listing of the Lake Shore Distributing Company at

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1001 State Street, Racine, Wisconsin as being a Wholesale
Liquor Concern [REDACTED]
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This directory also contained the listing of the name of
ALFRED DE CESARO, a resident of Kenosha, Wis., as being
employed as salesman for the Lake Shore Distributing
Company, Racine, Wisconsin.

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Date September 14, 1965b6
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to [redacted]
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On 9/8/65 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28

by SA [redacted] :btg Date dictated 9/8/65

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

September 29, 1965

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI ATTN. GENERAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

FROM : SAC, MILWAUKEE (66-1772)

SUBJECT: PENDING CRIMINAL CASES OPEN PRIOR TO 9-15-64,
MILWAUKEE DIVISION
and
MATTERS PENDING PROSECUTION OVER 6 MONTHS,
MILWAUKEE DIVISION

Re Manual of Rules and Regulations, Part II, Section 3, Page 29.

Enclosed herewith are three copies of a list of pending criminal cases, Milwaukee origin, pending over one year as of 9-15-64, and criminal matters pending prosecution for more than 6 months as of 12-15-65.

The Bureau is advised that there appear to have been no unreasonable delays in the handling of prosecutions, and it is specifically pointed out that those cases which have been delayed within the Western District of Wisconsin were occasioned by the fact that the Federal Judgeship has been vacant over an extended period of time. A U. S. District Judge has now been appointed, and it is anticipated that the criminal docket will be cleared within a minimum of delay.

3 - Bureau (Enc. 60)
51 - Milwaukee (66-1772)

1 - 7-317	1 - 29-554	1 - 87-6741
1 - 15-3201	1 - 31-3025	1 - 87-6998
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1 - 26-13342	1 - 87-6289	1 - 91-1831
1 - 26-13369	1 - 87-6313	1 - 160-34
1 - 26-13370	1 - 87-6449	1 - 165-107
1 - 26-13438	1 - 87-6583	1 - 165-128
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For brevity purposes, a complete list of all cases fitting the above categories is not being placed in the substantive case file, but is being limited to the page or pages on which the substantive case file appears.

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**PENDING CRIMINAL CASES OPENED PRIOR
TO 9-15-64, and MATTERS PENDING
PROSECUTION OVER 6 MONTHS
MILWAUKEE DIVISION**

Classification 166

Title:	ALFRED DE CESARO
Character:	ITAR - GAMBLING
Bufile:	166-723
MI file:	166-28
Reason Pending Over 1 Year:	Continuing general investigation to establish violation.
Prosecution Authorized:	None
Completion Date:	Dependent upon results of investigation; no violation to date.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 10/29/65	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/18 - 10/15/65
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.	TYPED BY btc
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCE:

Report of SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR., Milwaukee, 8/20/65.

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LEAD:

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Will continue contact with informants and logical sources in the Racine-Kenosha area for any information relating to the current activities of subject DE CESARO and whether involved in gambling operations.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

On 10/18/65, [] advised SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR. that there has been no talk heard on the west side hoodlum community of Kenosha, Wisconsin of subject DE CESARO doing

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anything along gambling lines at all, and informant doubts that DE CESARO is so engaged as he is allegedly doing quite well as a liquor salesman.

On 9/16/65, [] advised SA HIGGINS that as far as informant can determine, AL DE CESARO of Kenosha is doing absolutely nothing of a gambling nature and appears to be very satisfied in his new job as liquor salesman for a Racine liquor wholesale establishment.

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On 10/15/65, [] advised SA HIGGINS that AL DE CESARO is rarely seen anywhere in Kenosha these days, is very busy with his liquor sales job, and the French poodle dog care business [] out of their home, and is definitely not engaged in any form of gambling activity at this time.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR. Office: Milwaukee
Date: October 29, 1965

Field Office File #: MI 166-28 Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis: Detective [redacted], Kenosha, Wis., PD, on recontact on 10/15/65 advised as far as he could determine, AL DE CESARO is not involved in any current illegal activities, including gambling, but appears to be "going straight" in his new job as a liquor salesman at Racine, Wisconsin.

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Details:

On October 15, 1965, Detective [redacted], Detective Bureau, Police Department, City of Kenosha, Wisconsin, advised that as far as he could determine through his sources and contacts close to DE CESARO, the latter is not known to be involved in any current illegal activities, including that of gambling, but rather surprisingly appears to be "going straight" for the first time in many years, in his new job as a liquor salesman at Racine, Wisconsin.

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ALFRED DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

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In connection with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] it is requested the identity of the subscriber be ascertained, credit and criminal checks conducted, and determination made whether said subscriber is known to be a hoodlum or associate of any hoodlum element engaged in gambling or other illegal interstate activity:

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC (166-28) ATTN: SA HIGGINS

DATE: 11-9-65

FROM : SE [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: ALFRED DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: MI

Reference MI let to Sac, Chicago 10-29-65

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The following listings were obtained from [REDACTED] on 11-9-65: b7D

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It is to be noted that [REDACTED] is unable to obtain [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] and advised listing this city must be obtained
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

DATE: 11/19/65

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALFRED DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

(OO: MILWAUKEE)

Re Milwaukee letter to Chicago, 10/29/65.

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [redacted] at Waukegan, Illinois on November 9,
1965:

The North Suburban Street Address and Directory
reflects Waukegan, Illinois, telephone MAjestic 3-6500
listed to Olson Rug Company, 1924 Grand Avenue.

Lieutenant [redacted] Detective Bureau,
Waukegan Police Department, advised this is a substantial
branch of the huge Olson Rug Company of Chicago, Illinois.
He has had no reports of any untoward activity there.

MAjestic 3-1855 is listed to the Lake County
Sheriff's Office at Waukegan. Sheriff [redacted]
made available the jail records for May 17, 1965. They
reflect that on that date ANGELO GERMINARO, born
October 26, 1917, residing at 2110 Enoch, Zion, was committed
by the Police Department, Winthrop Harbor, after arresting
him for driving while intoxicated and for negligent
driving. Bond was set at \$200. He made bond and was
released the same date.

It is noted that prior investigation, of which
Milwaukee is aware, has disclosed that GERMINARO is employed
as a bartender at "The Office" Tavern in Kenosha. It would
appear DE CESARO called the Lake County Sheriff's Office
in connection with his jailing and bond.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (166-28) (P)

DATE: 12/13/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: Alfred De Cesaro, aka
ITAR - Gambling
OO: Milwaukee

Re Milwaukee airtel to Chicago, 10/29/65.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] 12/13/65 at Madison, Wisconsin:

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The current Madison Telephone Directory lists No. 262-1234 as being the information number for the University of Wisconsin, at Madison.

[REDACTED]
(protect identity) advised that the above [REDACTED]
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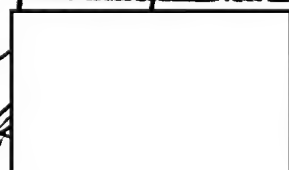
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 12/30/65	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 9/8 - 12/13/65
TITLE OF CASE "CHANGED" ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.	TYPED BY CES
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

Title is marked "changed" to reflect full name of subject as ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO as listed in records of Sheriff's Office, Kenosha County, Kenosha, Wisconsin through arrest made 12/8/65.

REFERENCES

Report of SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR., dated 10/29/65 at Milwaukee.
Milwaukee letter to Chicago dated 10/29/65.
Chicago letter to Milwaukee dated 11/19/65.

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PENDING OVER ONE YEAR Yes
PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS No

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At Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will continue contact with informants and logical sources in the Racine - Kenosha area for any information relating to the current activities of subject DE CESARO and whether involved in gambling operations.
2. Will follow results of local prosecution on warrant charging "receiving bets" and arrest of DE CESARO on 12/8/65 by SO, Kenosha County, Kenosha, Wisconsin arising out of John Doe proceedings being held at Kenosha.

At Burlington, Wisconsin

Will conduct credit and criminal checks on [redacted]
[redacted] Burlington, Wisconsin, [redacted]
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The identification of telephone subscribers furnished SE [redacted] on 11/9/65, at Milwaukee, was made available by [redacted]

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At Racine, Wisconsin

Will conduct credit and criminal checks for background information relating to [redacted]
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At Trevor, Wisconsin

Will conduct investigation to ascertain identity of [REDACTED]
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thereafter affect credit and criminal checks for background
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The Chicago Office on 6/24/65 advised Milwaukee that contact

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on whom Chicago Office indices are negative. Foremost
Liquors are a franchised package store outfit located through-
out the Chicagoland area with telephone available to the
public.

The [REDACTED] data set forth in this report
applying to subject DE CESARO's residence [REDACTED]
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On 11/29/65 [REDACTED], PCI, Kenosha, Wisconsin,
advised SA [REDACTED] that [REDACTED]
the Budweiser Beer Distributor in Kenosha and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] the Schlitz Beer Distributor in Kenosha, in

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early November, 1965 was informed by ALFRED DE CESARO that the latter has never been so happy as he has since being off the gambling kick and working as a legitimate liquor salesman [redacted] handling a good poodle dog business with their home located on Highways 31 and 43, Kenosha County, CKenosha, Wisconsin.

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On 12/1/65 [redacted] advised SA [redacted] that no information was had indicating that subject DE CESARO was doing anything more than being a legitimate liquor salesman but that informant believed no great confidence should be placed in this standing by DE CESARO in the future.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR.
Date: December 30, 1965

Office: MILWAUKEE

Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF ANTI-RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis:

Information relating to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] set forth. DE CESARO on 12/8/65 was arrested at Kenosha, Wisconsin by SO, Kenosha County, on a warrant charging "Receiving Bets" during period between 1/1/60 and 5/23/64 in Kenosha County, Wisconsin, which charge arose out of the John Doe Proceedings currently being held in Kenosha County Court at Kenosha. DE CESARO was released on \$500 bail bond on 12/8/65 with arraignment set for 12/15/65 in Kenosha County Court at Kenosha.

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DETAILS:AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

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AT WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

The following investigation was conducted by SA []
[] on November 9, 1965:

The North Suburban Street Address and Directory reflects Waukegan, Illinois, telephone MAjestic 3-8500 listed to Olson Rug Company, 1924 Grand Avenue.

Lieutenant [] Detective Bureau, Waukegan Police Department, advised this is a substantial branch of the huge Olson Rug Company of Chicago, Illinois. He has had no reports of any untoward activity there.

MAjestic 3-1855 is listed to the Lake County Sheriff's Office at Waukegan. Sheriff [] made available the jail records for May 17, 1965. They reflect that on that date ANGELO GERMINARO, born October 26, 1917, residing at 2110 Enoch, Zion, was committed by the Police Department, Winthrop Harbor, after arresting him for driving while intoxicated and negligent driving. Bond was set at \$200. He made bond and was released the same date.

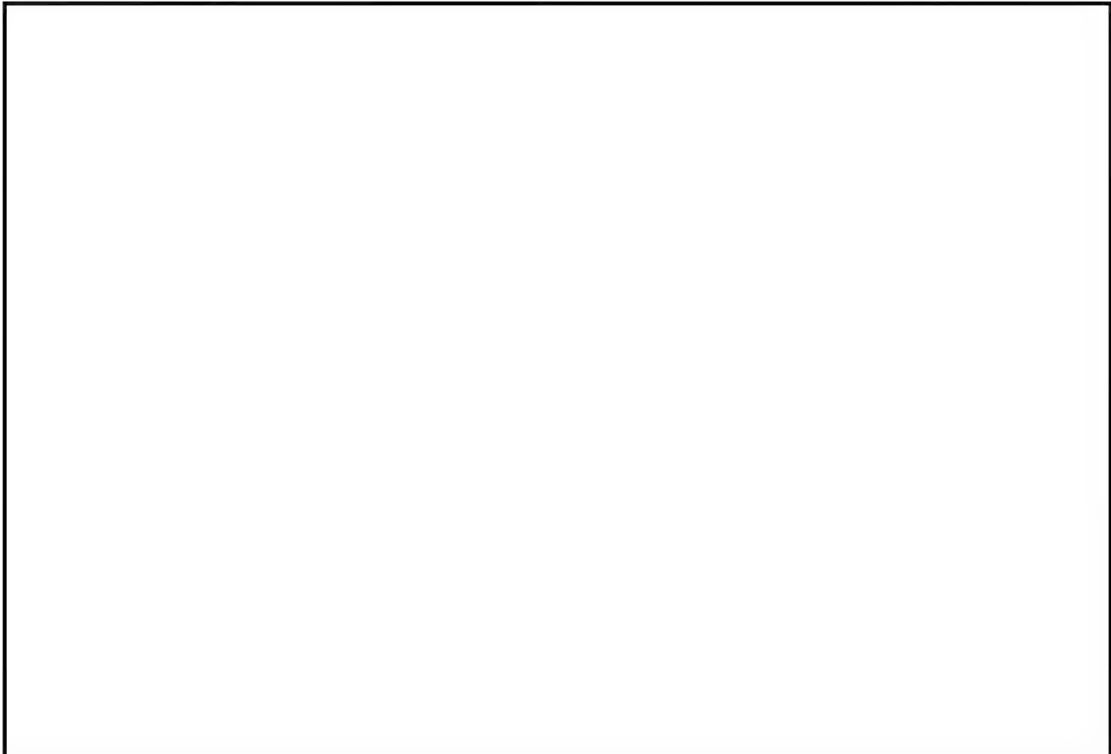
AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

In connection with the identity of ANGELO GERMINARO, a resident of 2110 Enoch, Zion, Illinois, it is to be noted that in past contacts had, with City Detective [] Detective Bureau, Police Department, City of Racine, Wisconsin by SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, JR., GERMINARO was identified as a former resident of Kenosha, Wisconsin who is currently an associate of EUGENE THOMAS, operator of "The Office" restaurant and bar, located in Kenosha, Wisconsin and lists himself as a bartender at that establishment.

AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On November 9, 1965 SE [] determined the identity of []

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AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

The December 9, 1965 issue of "The Kenosha Evening News", daily newspaper published at Kenosha, Wisconsin, contained an article indicating that on December 8, 1965 ALFRED F. DE CESARO, age 43, of 4204 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, was charged in a warrant with one count of receiving bets for which he was arrested on that date by officers of the Sheriff's Office, Kenosha County, Kenosha, Wisconsin and was released on the same date after posting of a \$500 bail bond with arraignment set for December 9, 1965 before Judge EARL D. MORTON, Kenosha County Court and that on that date the attorney for DE CESARO identified as [redacted] of Kenosha,

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Wisconsin, was unable to appear in court with result that Judge MORTON held open for DE CESARO the matter of motions and preliminary hearing date. The news release went on to explain that this warrant was based on activity performed by DE CESARO between the period of January 1, 1960 through May 23, 1964 in Kenosha County, Wisconsin and arose out of the John Doe Proceedings currently being held in the Kenosha County Court, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

On December 13, 1965 Deputy [redacted] Sheriff's Office, Kenosha County, Kenosha, Wisconsin, made available that department's file, number 1681A relating to one ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO described as male, white, 5'10" tall, 210 pounds, born May 29, 1922 at Kenosha, Wisconsin, stocky build, graying hair, brown eyes, medium ruddy complexion, Italian descent, assigned Social Security Number 398-12-6995 and indicated employment as a salesman for the LakeShore Liquors. The file further reflected that DE CESARO was arrested by Sheriff's Officers on December 8, 1965 on charge of "receiving bets" in violation of Section 934.03 (II) and was released at 7:40 P.M. on December 8, 1965 after posting \$500 bail bond. Arraignment date was scheduled before Judge EARL D. MORTON in Kenosha County Court on December 15, 1965. The warrant of arrest was signed by [redacted] as complainant and was signed by [redacted] temporary Kenosha County court judge, acting under provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Section 253.195 dated December 8, 1965.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 2/18/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/9-1/19/66	b6 b7C
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY jah	
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REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM J. HIGGINS, Jr., Milwaukee 12/30/65

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
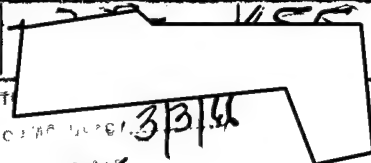

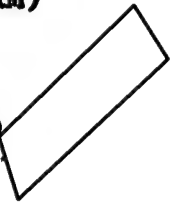


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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

AT KENOSHA, WIS.

Will follow results of local prosecution on warrant charging "receiving bets" and arrest of DE CESARO on 12/8/65 by the SO, Kenosha Co., arising out of John Doe proceedings being held at Kenosha.

This case has been pending over one year.
It has not been pending prosecution over six months.

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AT RACINE, WIS.

1. Will conduct credit and criminal checks for background information relating to [REDACTED]

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2. Will identify [REDACTED]

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3. Will identify [REDACTED]

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AT TREVOR, WIS.

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[REDACTED] and thereafter effect credit and criminal checks for background data.

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It will be noted period of instant report overlaps that of last report which is due to investigation being conducted on the same date that the last report was prepared, and other investigation which was not transcribed in time for inclusion in last report. It will be noted further leads set forth in last report are re-set in instant report which is due to the retirement of the Agent to whom the leads had been assigned, and which investigation was not conducted prior to date of retirement. Leads have not been covered by Agent to whom case has been assigned, inasmuch as RA territory in which investigation is being conducted suffered a second retirement, plus a transfer to SOG, with a concomitant increase in work load for the remaining Agent.

On 1/19/66, [REDACTED] advised that one [REDACTED] of Kenosha, Wis., had advised him that [REDACTED] of the Kenosha PD, spent the entire evening with AL DE CESARO and RALPH MASERO just prior to MASERO's death at the last annual policemen's ball which took place in the summer of 1965.

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On 1/26/66, [REDACTED] PCI, Kenosha, Wis., advised due to

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[redacted] AL DE CESARO, he has cut him way back on liquor purchases and as a result, DE CESARO comes less frequently to his place of business. He stated, however, to the best of his knowledge, DE CESARO still is not involved in any type of gambling activity, or at least no such knowledge has come to his attention.

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On 12/9/65, Postmaster WALTER PAEPKE, Burlington, Wis., advised that [redacted] resides at [redacted] Bohners Lake. PAEPKE could furnish nothing about PFLUG's activities other than that he receives a great number of newspapers in the mail.

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[redacted], advised SA [redacted] on 12/13/65 that [redacted] was listed to [redacted] as of March 10, 1965.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONCopy to: **1-USA, MILWAUKEE**Report of: SA
Date: **2/18/66**Office: **MILWAUKEE**b6
b7CField Office File #: **MI 166-28**Bureau File #: **166-723**Title: **ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO**Character: **INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF ANTI-RACKETEERING - GAMBLING**

Synopsis: Investigation at Racine, Wis., on 12/9/65, and at Burlington, Wis., on the same date, relative to a recipient of telephone calls placed by Subject reflected the recipient to be a retired executive of the American Motors Corp., which person is known to be of good reputation and with no known gambling background. Investigation conducted at Madison, Wis. on 12/13/65, reflected a telephone number called by DE CESARO as being listed to the U. of Wis. at Madison for purposes of obtaining information.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

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AT RACINE, WISCONSIN

On December 9, 1965 a search was conducted of the Burlington, Wisconsin telephone directory. It reflected that telephone No. [REDACTED] is listed to [REDACTED] Burlington, Wisconsin.

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On December 9, 1965 Sheriff [REDACTED], Racine County, Wisconsin, advised there is no record on file relative to [REDACTED] Burlington.

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AT BURLINGTON, WISCONSIN

On December 9, 1965 Captain [REDACTED] Burlington, Wisconsin Police Department, advised there is no record on file in that agency relative to [REDACTED]

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On December 9, 1965 a spot check was conducted at the residence of [REDACTED] Bohners Lake, Wisconsin. A 1963 or 1964 Rambler station wagon, white in color, bearing Wisconsin 1966 License [REDACTED] was noted parked in the driveway.

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On December 9, 1965 [REDACTED], Credit Bureau of Burlington, Wisconsin, advised she has no record on file relative to [REDACTED]

On December 9, 1965 [REDACTED], Beach View Grocery, Bohners Lake, Wisconsin, advised that [REDACTED] Bohners Lake, Wisconsin, is [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] in Kenosha. He stated that [REDACTED] is now unemployed. [REDACTED] impresses him as being a fine, honest man, who is well respected in the community. He could furnish no information which would reflect [REDACTED] involvement in any gambling, illegal or dishonest activity.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]
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AT MADISON, WISCONSIN

On February 13, 1966 the current Madison Telephone Co. directory was determined to reflect telephone number 262-1234 as being the information number at the University of Wisconsin.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 4/8/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 3/10-30/66
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY kmh b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - Gambling	

REFERENCE

Report of SA at Milwaukee 2/18/66. b6
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LEADSCHICAGO DIVISIONAt Antioch, Illinois

Will conduct credit and criminal checks, and contact logical sources re to determine if he is any way associated in or involved with gambling interests.

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MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will contact logical sources to determine if Subject remains out of gambling activity.

2. Will follow and report results of preliminary examination scheduled for 4/21/66, 1:30 P.M.

At Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Will obtain list of toll calls made by subject since last contacted, and thereafter set forth leads to determine if such calls have been placed to persons of known gambling interest.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1- USA, Milwaukee (RM)

Report of:
Date:SA [REDACTED]
4/8/66

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File #: 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: ITAR - GAMBLING

Synopsis:

Results of investigation conducted March 10, 1966 at Racine, Wisconsin relative to backgrounds of those persons receiving telephone calls from subject set forth. On March 17, 1966, Clerk of County Court, Kenosha, Wisconsin advised preliminary examination on charges of "receiving bets" scheduled for April 21, 1966, 1:30 P.M. [REDACTED] identified is [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Antioch, Illinois.

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DATE: MARCH 10, 1966

AT : RACINE, WISCONSIN

NAME: SA [REDACTED]

Deputy [REDACTED], Records Division, Racine County Sheriff's Department; Police Cadet [REDACTED] Records Bureau, Racine Police Department; and [REDACTED] Credit Bureau of Racine, Inc., 822 6th Street, all caused searches to be made of their respective files and advised that their files contain the following records relating to individuals as listed below:

1) [REDACTED]
Racine, Wisconsin:

A) Racine Police Department -

Record reflects date of birth [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Record also reflects Racine Police Department Complaint No. [REDACTED] dated December 23, 1965, reflecting that [REDACTED] was a witness to a police department accident. No further information.

B) Racine County Sheriff's Department -

The only possible identifiable record under name [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Waterford, Wisconsin, this record reflecting that [REDACTED] was under investigation on June 19, 1958 by the Oak Creek, Wisconsin Police Department for armed robbery. No disposition given.

C) Credit Bureau of Racine, Inc. -

Record reflects that [REDACTED] under address [REDACTED] was widow of JOHN and has been in files since March, 1965. Record reflects last previous address was [REDACTED] Racine, as of December, 1965. Record further reflects that [REDACTED] came from [REDACTED] in March, 1965 and is employed

at [redacted]
Racine, [redacted]
(Employment not verified). Last inquiry into record was in January, 1966 by a local Racine oil company. Record reflects that [redacted] banks at the First National Bank of Racine and carries a four figure checking and savings account.

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2) [redacted]
Racine, Wisconsin:

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A) Racine Police Department -

Record reflects that [redacted] with previous Racine address of [redacted] has had a complaint and arrest record with the Racine Police Department since February 10, 1959. Only arrest in record regards traffic violation. Latest record of entry was January 14, 1966 when a minor complaint was lodged by [redacted] regarding a blocked driveway. No record whatsoever regarding gambling activities.

B) Racine County Sheriff's Department -

Only record possibly identifiable is under name [redacted] same address, date of birth [redacted]. This record reflects that on January 13, 1964, his driver's license was suspended by the Motor Vehicle Department of Wisconsin for 45 days for failure to yield right of way.

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C) Credit Bureau of Racine, Inc. -

Record reflects that [redacted] have been in file since 1956. [redacted] described as approximately [redacted] years of age with two children, residing at [redacted] Racine, since 1960. with prior address of [redacted] [redacted], Racine, and [redacted] [redacted] Chicago, Illinois. Record reflects that [redacted] and family

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moved to Racine in 1956, previously renting an apartment [redacted] in Chicago for six years, this property owned by [redacted]

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[redacted] Record reflects that [redacted] is a [redacted] of either Racine or Kenosha, Wisconsin, this business being involved in retail liquors, that [redacted] has also been in this business for ten years in partnership with [redacted] Record reflects that previous business association of [redacted] with [redacted]

Chicago, Illinois, this business being a family owned operation for ten years. Record reflects that family previously owned another liquor store in Chicago and family owned several other pieces of investment property in the Chicago area. Record reflects [redacted] has banking account with North Side Bank, Racine, Wisconsin, with checking account in low three figures and savings account in low four figures. Record reflects a very good credit rating and last inquiry of March, 1966 by the Credit Bureau of Milwaukee.

3) [redacted] Sturtevant, Wisconsin.

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A) Racine County Sheriff's Department -
No identifiable record.

B) Credit Bureau of Racine, Inc. -

Record reflects that [redacted] date of birth [redacted] [redacted], date of birth [redacted], in file since December of 1960. Reflects address of [redacted] Sturtevant, since September, 1965. Reflects prior addresses of [redacted] Racine, Wisconsin, in 1963; [redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin, in 1961; [redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin, in 1960. Record reflects

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[redacted] employed with [redacted]
[redacted] Kenosha, since November 14,
1962 as [redacted] Record reflects prior
employment with [redacted], local
Kenosha, Wisconsin contractor, as [redacted]
Record reflects last inquiry September,
1965 by the General Electric Credit
Corporation, Racine, and only banking
information in record reflects a checking
and savings account with some unknown bank
in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Record reflects
good credit rating.

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4) GEORGE P. DEMOS, 3200 Chatham, Racine, Wisconsin:

A) Racine Police Department -

Record reflects that DEMOS, at above
address, has complaint and arrest record
with Racine Police Department from
February 21, 1959, latest entry dated
August 11, 1965. All arrests regard minor
traffic violations, and appear to relate
to [redacted]. No identifiable record with
gambling activities.

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B) Racine County Sheriff's Department -
No identifiable record.

C) Credit Bureau of Racine, Inc. -

Record reflects that DEMOS, age 56, and
[redacted] have been in file since 1954.
Have [redacted] Prior address Fort
Wayne, Indiana, in 1954. Record reflects
works for Kenosha Auto Transport, Kenosha,
Wisconsin, since 1929. He is assistant to
the President of this corporation, and
[redacted]

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Record
reflects that DEMOS also owns Life, Inc.,
5629 6th Avenue, Kenosha, and has been
President of that corporation since
September, 1961. This outfit makes fallout
shelters. Last inquiry August, 1965 by
Credit Bureau of Waterloo. No information
regarding banking connections. Record
reflects is native of Kenosha [redacted]

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credit rating.

Record reflects good

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On March, 17, 1966, [REDACTED] Kenosha County, advised a preliminary hearing has been scheduled for April 21, 1966, at 1:30 P.M. based on a complaint and warrant charging DE CESARO with "receiving bets". DE CESARO's arrest occurred on December 8, 1965 by the Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, resulting from JOHN DOE proceedings in the city of Kenosha.

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On March 30, 1966, a check of the General Telephone Company, for Trevor, Wisconsin reflected that telephone number [REDACTED] is listed to [REDACTED] Antioch, Illinois.

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SAC, CHICAGO (166-134)

5/25/66

SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) (P)

ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

Re report of SA [redacted] 4/8/66,
at Milwaukee.

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On 5/17/66, [redacted] County
Court, Kenosha, Wisconsin, advised that DE CESARO did
not appear for preliminary hearing on April 21, 1966,
as scheduled due to the illness of the attorney for
the state. No new date has been set; however, it is
believed that DE CESARO will appear in court on 5/23/66,
and enter a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, and pay
a fine, if such should be the sentence.

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CHICAGO DIVISION

At Antioch, Illinois

Will furnish results of investigation to
identify [redacted]

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2 - Milwaukee (166-28)
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Rept Aug 6/24*

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/11/66

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] may be
obtained by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum issued to
[redacted]
[redacted]

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b7DOn 4/28/66 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28by SE [redacted] bkc Date dictated 4/28/66b6
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

FROM : *J/ows* SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING
(OO: Milwaukee)

DATE: 6/16/66

Re report of SA [] Milwaukee, 4/8/66.

Enclosed herewith are nine copies of an investigative insert.

On 6/10/66, [] Antioch, Illinois, advised SA [] that part of our FD 4 is in the State of Wisconsin near the Shangri-La area outside Trevor. Anyone who has a Trevor telephone number would most likely reside on the Wisconsin side. A review of their records, however, failed to disclose the name of []

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✓ AT TREVOR, WISCONSIN. Since it appears [] does or did live in Wisconsin, would check sources serving the Shangri-La lake area for information concerning him.

✓ Will consider checking sources in Kenosha, Wisconsin, since his relatives may be from there.

② - Milwaukee (Enc. 9)
1 - Chicago

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[]	D. <i>[initials]</i>
	SSG
	KEP
	<i>[signature]</i>

Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5/11/66

The telephone toll calls from October 19, 1965 to March 18, 1966 charged to 652-7446 which is listed to ALFRED E. DE CESARO, 4204 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, Wisconsin, may be obtained by issuance of a subpoena duces tecum issued to E. J. MOEN, Secretary, Wisconsin Telephone Company, 722 North Broadway, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

<u>City</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	DDD	October 2
Racine, Wisconsin	637-3640	DDD	October 5
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	BR 1-2820	DDD	October 5
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	MILTON SKLONSKY Res.	October 28
Trevor, Wisconsin	UN2-6236	DDD	October 30
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	DDD	November 1
Racine, Wisconsin	634-1909	DDD	November 1
Racine, Wisconsin	637-4318	DDD	November 2
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	BR 1-7530	DDD	November 5
Trevor, Wisconsin	UN2-6236	DDD	November 10
Racine, Wisconsin	637-8308	DDD (2 calls)	November 24
Racine, Wisconsin	637-5483	DDD	November 24
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	MILTON SKLONSKY Res.	December 4
Chicago, Illinois	WN3-2233	DDD	December

On 4/28/66 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28

by SE GEORGE R. BREWER/bkc Date dictated 4/28/66

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<u>City</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Waukegan, Illinois	CH4-5563	DDD	December 7
Trevor, Wisconsin	862-6236	DDD	December 14
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	ED2-3088	DDD	November 28
Zion, Illinois	TR2-7882	DDD	January 12
Zion, Illinois	TR2-4470	DDD	January 30
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	DDD	February 21
Racine, Wisconsin	639-2917	DDD	February 26
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	271-7530	DDD	March 1
Racine, Wisconsin	639-4128	DDD	March 18

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) - P -
ATTN: SA [REDACTED]

DATE:

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

(OO:MI)

Re report of SA [REDACTED], Milwaukee, 6/23/66.

On 6/28/66 [REDACTED] advised that records [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] reflect the following to be
[REDACTED]

The most current Milwaukee City Directory indicates that
[REDACTED] of the Kortsch Storage Company, Milwaukee.

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan

SAC, MILWAUKEE (162-142)

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EUGENE THOMAS, aka
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OO: MILWAUKEE

The following investigation was conducted by
SA [REDACTED]

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At Kenosha, Wisconsin

On 4/26/66 [REDACTED] Wisconsin
Attorney General's Office, furnished the following information.

[REDACTED] advised to use caution in dealing with the
Kenosha Police Department feeling there is one or more leaks
in that agency. He could not identify who, but felt that
information let out by him to the police department was
going back to the hoodlum element.

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He stated that ALFRED DE CESARO, and RALPH MASARO
just prior to their arrests for gambling in 1964, were
in constant contact with EUGENE THOMAS and ANGELO GEMINARO.
He speculated of the possibility of a connection between the
operations of these four men. DE CESARO is reported to have
said it is fortunate he wasn't arrested on a good day or
the tax assessment levied against them would have been
much greater.

① - (166-28)
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1 - (92-145)
2 - (166-new) [REDACTED]
2 - (166-New) (Warren Knauss)

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He stated EUGENE THOMAS is tied in with horse tracks anywhere in the county, but that his greatest volume of business is on the Illinois tracks.

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[] advised that DANIEL CARDINALI is not out of business and is tending bar []

[] used to deal for CARDINALI. CARDINALI now spends a great deal of time at EUGENE THOMAS'S Office Lounge and may be working for THOMAS as a bookie, that he was working similarly for AL DE CESARO, and RALPH MASARO.

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[] advised that investigations conducted by his office bring him to the theory that Kenosha gambling operations are most likely syndicate connected. Booking operations are under the auspices of the Illinois outfit, and card games and crap games under auspices of the Milwaukee outfit. He bases this theory on the fact that THOMAS engages largely in booking operations and depends heavily on ANGELO GERMINARO formerly of Zion, Illinois. He pointed out that GERMINARO had been arrested in Illinois for gambling and that later he held a gambling tax stamp in that state.

ANGIE has close connections to ROCCO POTENZA (phonetic) of Chicago, and that POTENZA is a lieutenant [] POTENZA'S name reportedly was listed on GERMINARO'S income tax return. His background on gambling goes back to the days of [] in Kenosha, and that he used to "mark the board" for THOMAS at the Vagabond Club.

He has been working for THOMAS since he opened Office Lounge in 1963.

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From Milwaukee, [] felt, came control over JOHN RIZZO'S crap game, CARDINALI'S card game, and COVELLI'S card and crap games. All of these were probably paying tribute to the Milwaukee syndicate.

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Apart, [] named a [] (phonetic) a Racine attorney as possibly making book and that [] the Park Hotel in Racine, may be connected to a gambling operation being operated by [] (166-139) or EUGENE THOMAS of Kenosha, possibly both of whom are in the same operation.

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166-new WARREN RASMUSSEN

A man named [] (phonetic) who runs the [] booking, and that WARREN RASMUSSEN of Union Finance Company is booking there, and taking bets at a bar known as Penrod's.

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[] in Lincolnwood, Illinois, is [] by trade and was raided there several months ago. A large number of football pool tickets were obtained in the raid. About 2,000 tickets are coming into Kenosha per month.

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[] advised that he learned one of RASMUSSEN'S better outlets is at the Ladiash Company in Kenosha.

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It is noted that [] an employee of that firm has been handling tickets for RASMUSSEN.

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Tuesday, June 28, 1966

KENOSHA NEWS

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been suspended from the force with pay since June 6, will appear in court July 26 at 10 a.m.

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Judge Morton found DeCesaro guilty of receiving bets and offers to bet on horse racing events at various tracks around the country, and of receiving bets which were "laid off" to him by others who had received bets.

Presently Under Probation

The period covered by the offenses was set from Jan. 1, 1960, to May 23, 1964, in the warrant.

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(Indicate page, name of newspaper, city and state.)

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Kenosha News
Kenosha, Wis

Date: 6/28/66
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1- USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: AUGUST 29, 1966

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File #: 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis:

Representative, Wisconsin Attorney General's Office, advised April 26, 1966 that subject was in constant contact with Kenosha gambling elements at the office Lounge Restaurant, and that DE CESARO's operation in his opinion was linked to that operation. [REDACTED] has no criminal record at Antioch, Illinois. [REDACTED] identified at Kenosha SO as [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] News article from Kenosha News set forth dated August 28, 1966, reflects DE CESARO received light fine of \$500 and costs due to fact he had reportedly reformed. [REDACTED] identified. No criminal record for [REDACTED] at Kenosha. [REDACTED] Kenosha SO believes DE CESARO is still making book.

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DETAILS

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The following investigation was conducted at:

KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

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AT MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

On June 28, 1966, the Milwaukee City Directory was checked. It was determined that BR1-2820 is listed to the Old Line Life Insurance Company, that [redacted] is listed to [redacted] attorney, [redacted] and that [redacted] is listed to [redacted] Milwaukee. [redacted] Kortsch Storage Company.

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On August 22, 1966, Deputy [redacted] Records Bureau, Kenosha County SO advised he has no record on [redacted]. He does have, however, a record for RUSSELL JEAN BEZOTTE as follows:

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None-support	10/25/54
Receiving and disposing stolen property	10/18/53
Speeding	1/25/53
Non-support	6/20/51

On August 22, 1966, [redacted] Kenosha County SO advised that [redacted] of Antioch is [redacted] advised that he believes there is still contact between the two families.

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[redacted] was able to further advise that to the best of his information DE CESARO is still making book, and probably always will.

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He is now employed by the Racine Liquor Company as a salesman and probably uses the contacts for bookmaking. [redacted] advised he could furnish information within a few days as to DE CESARO's activities.

SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-146) (P)

September 15, 1966

SA [redacted]

WARREN RASMUSSEN
ITAR - GAMBLING

On August 23, 1966, [redacted] (protect identity), [redacted] in Kenosha and Racine, was contacted by writing Agent.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] WARREN RASMUSSEN, who hangs around in FRANK CAIRO's Idle Hour Tap, on 52nd and 10th Avenue. [redacted] is also working with RASMUSSEN in the making of book.

He advised that RASMUSSEN has an antique shop in Chicago and a pet shop in Milwaukee, which are apparently legitimate businesses. He also operates the Union Loan Company in Kenosha.

[redacted] advised that RASMUSSEN has two main distributors for "jar tickets" or baseball tickets, but stated he could not identify these individuals without consultation [redacted]

[redacted] stated that in the past he placed a bet at the Office Lounge, but lately has been unable to get anything going there, since GENE THOMAS' arrest on John Doe charges. Betting was taking place there openly and heavily.

[redacted] stated that he does not go into Chick's Bar much but understands that [redacted] is tied in with THOMAS in gambling operations.

[redacted] further advised that [redacted] is booking in Kenosha, taking bets from Carl's Barber Shop on the North Side, a patient at a south convalescent home, and Ann's Beauty Shop at Midtown. [redacted] has personally

- 1 - Milwaukee (166-99)
- ① - Milwaukee (166-28)
- 1 - Milwaukee [redacted]
- 1 - Milwaukee (166-145)
- 1 - Milwaukee (166-142)
- 1 - Milwaukee (166-146)

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[redacted] [handwritten signature]

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[redacted]
[redacted] One bet was won, and the collection
was made [redacted]
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[redacted] stated that one [redacted] is also
betting at the Idle Hour. [redacted]
[redacted] is
having a good time [redacted]

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[redacted] stated he has received information that
[redacted] and ALFRED DE CESARO are also booking,
but he has done no work on these cases.

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ANGELO GERMINACO was identified through photo
[redacted] as being a bartender for GENE THOMAS.

One of WARREN RASMUSSEN's biggest distributors is
[redacted] would not be more
specific,

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28) (P)

DATE: September 21, 1966

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

On September 9, 1966, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised
that he has checked confidential sources and has been
able to find no evidence that AL DE CESARO is booking.
[REDACTED] advised that he believes personally that DE CESARO
is booking, but that he is doing it more selectively and
not so many are aware of it.

By way of background, [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] were
close friends of one another, and that both were very
close friends of AL DE CESARO, and RALPH MASARO, now
deceased. [REDACTED] stated that even today because of
this [REDACTED] is closely associated with the Italian element,
particularly ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO. [REDACTED] stated
that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] claims that DE CESARO is a far more
important hoodlum figure than he is given credit for. He
plays things down intentionally and remains quiet. This
was a sore spot between he and RALPH MASARO, before the
latters death, because DE CESARO felt MASARO talked too
much, especially when drinking. Their relationship nearly
crumbled because of this.

[REDACTED] stated that DE CESARO is very much
"wired" into the Chicago outfit, and because he is so well
liked in that city, he is the only one from whom WILLIAM
"Weizer" COVELLI was not getting a cut.

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- 1 - Milwaukee (162-141)
- 1 - Milwaukee (162-142)
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Relative to COVELLI, [] claimed he remains the central hoodlum figure in Kenosha, and that no one operates within Kenosha without cutting COVELLI in.

[] advised that COVELLI is subordinate to the Milwaukee mob, but that they, the mob, must coordinate this territory with the Chicago outfit.

Chicago demanded that DE CESARO's operation be responsible to that family alone. It is herein that COVELLI's feud [] lies. [] has his roots in, and has always operated under the auspices of the Chicago family. COVELLI being the chief man in Kenosha expected a cut of [] operations sometime prior to the death of TONY BIERNAT.

Due to the squabble between the two, windows of each were eventually shot out, and a meeting which involved representatives of the Milwaukee and Chicago families were called to arbitrate the differences between the two. COVELLI and [] remain avid enemies of one another. On one occasion [] had advised COVELLI that he was not afraid []

Relative to [] noted that he has a place, an apartment, set up on [] believes games have been played there. He still also has [] purpose is to wait for []

[] advised (this later being verified by [] that [] had approached []

[] got into a loud argument in [] neighborhood when [] had nerve to make the offer, and vial language was exchanged between the two.

(It is noted here PCI [] also furnished information similar to this).

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[redacted] claims that candidate [redacted] currently [redacted]. He advised that nasty stories are circulating regarding [redacted]. He personally considers this to be a smear campaign [redacted].

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On September 9, 1966, [redacted] verified the above [redacted] and added that [redacted] had said he would take care of [redacted].

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The information recorded below must be protected and not reported in details to avoid compromise of source.

Relative to the EUGENE THOMAS case (162-142), [redacted] advised that Officers [redacted] [redacted] have developed irrefutable information that EUGENE THOMAS is still booking and that bets are being taken in code. [redacted] would not reveal the means by which this information was obtained, but that they are having difficulty [redacted].

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[redacted]
[redacted] One of the persons being called from THOMAS's place is WILLIAM COVELLI, who [redacted] claims is getting a piece of THOMAS' operation. Also [redacted] advised that in his opinion one JAMES "Skien" SALERNO (162-141) is still booking almost totally by telephone.

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SALERNO resides at 4448 - 68th Street, and owns a \$40,000 house, and a Ford Thunderbird even though only a plant worker at American Motors Corporation. [redacted] bases his belief on the following facts:

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He is a patron of the Model Tavern which at one time was a gambling joint. While hanging about in that tavern he has met two young men in their 20's whom he

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would identify only as [redacted] These two are
avid horse bettors [redacted]

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[redacted] After gaining their confidence during a time
when they felt their bookie was paying too low, he,
[redacted] discovered the identity of the bookie as [redacted]

[redacted] He further discovered that [redacted] lay off
man is a guy named "JIM" whom [redacted] assumes is
JAMES SALERNO. [redacted] admitted that this is weak,
but strengthened his case by pointing out that SALERNO's
telephone number is 652-8035. [redacted]

[redacted] has telephone number [redacted]
On occasion [redacted] has gotten calls directed to SALERNO
which seemed to be of a booking nature. [redacted]
apparently helps to operate the book. Additionally,
prior to the Kenosha Doc investigation, [redacted]
[redacted] had let it
slip that the biggest bookie in town was "Skeins" SALERNO,
and no one even knew about him.

Relative to [redacted] described him as
a [redacted] but that he absolutely
refuse to discuss [redacted]
[redacted] the Kenosha Italian element. [redacted] himself plays
the horses regularly. It was more or less in defense
of the Italian element that [redacted] slipped and advised
of "Skeins" SALERNO.

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On September 9, 1966, a spot check of the La Strada
Restaurant being sold by [redacted] WILLIAM COVELLI
had a large "for sale" sign in the window, being offered
by SALERNO's Realty.

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It is noted that SALERNO, until about three
months ago, was an employee of the AMC plant at Kenosha.
He took a three month leave of absence to join the BITVIN
Realty Company to determine if he was suited for partner-
ship in that company. Shortly thereafter BITVEN died
unexpectedly of a heart attack.

On September 9, 1966, a call made to the BITVEN
Agency of 2420 - 52nd Street, Kenosha, revealed that the

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phone had been disconnected. The information operator furnished the telephone number of the SALERNO's Realty as 652-5335, address 2420 - 52nd Street.

Relative to [REDACTED], known to [REDACTED] he advised [REDACTED] is running a booking route all over Kenosha and that one of his stops is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] ALFRED DE CESARO, and RALPH MASARO. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in the Waukegan area.

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The same kind of information is being confidentially obtained [REDACTED] as is being obtained on GENE THOMAS.

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Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)

FROM : *JM* SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

DATE: 9/28/66

Re Chicago letter to Milwaukee dated 6/16/66,
and report of SA dated 8/29/66, at
Milwaukee.

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Enclosed herewith are nine copies of an in-
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REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 10/21/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 8/23 - 10/18/66
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY mk b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCES

Report of SA at Milwaukee dated 8/29/66;
Chicago letter to Milwaukee dated 9/28/66.

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LEADSTHE MILWAUKEE DIVISIONAt Kenosha, Wisconsin:

Will contact regarding identity of
 liquor salesman.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: OCTOBER 21, 1966

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis: Wisconsin Beverage and Alcohol Tax Unit agent advised he had received information DE CESARO booking from unidentified source. Kenosha Sheriff's Office investigator advised no evidence DE CESARO is booking, but believes he is on a selective basis. Identities of [REDACTED] DE CESARO to Racine, Wisconsin set forth. [REDACTED] pet store. [REDACTED] were listed to ANGELO GERMINARO, local gambling figure of Chicago connection.

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DETAILS: AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On August 23, 1966, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] advised he had received information from an anonymous source that ALFRED DE CESARO is booking. He has spent no time investigating this matter; however, and furnished no other information.

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On September 9, 1966, [REDACTED] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised that he has checked confidential sources and has been able to find no evidence that AL DE CESARO is booking. [REDACTED] advised that he believes personally that DE CESARO is booking, but that he is doing it more selectively and not so many are aware of it.

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By way of background, [] advised that

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[] were close friends of one another, and that both were very close friends of AL DE CESARO, and RALPH MESARO, now deceased. [] stated that even today because of this [] is closely associated with the Italian element, particularly ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO. [] advised that [] absolutely cannot be trusted.

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[] claims that DE CESARO is a far more important hoodlum figure than he is given credit for. He plays things down intentionally and remains quiet. This was a sore spot between he and RALPH MASARO, his ex-partner, before the latter's death, because DE CESARO felt MASARO talked too much, especially when drinking. Their relationship nearly crumbled because of this.

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[] stated that DE CESARO is very much "wired" into the Chicago outfit, and because he is so well liked in that city, he is the only one in Kenosha whom WILLIAM "WEIZER" COVELLI was not getting a cut.

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On September 16, 1966, Detective [redacted] Police Department, Zion, Illinois, advised SA [redacted] his records reflect that telephone TRinity 2-7882 is listed to ANGELO GERMINARO, 2110 Enoch, bartender at the Office Lounge, Kenosha, Wisconsin, whose background and activities are well known to the Kenosha Police Department.

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Detective [redacted] said [redacted] is listed to [redacted] whose husband is recorded as [redacted] Kenosha, and concerning whom there is no local police record or information regarding gambling activities.

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On September 16, 1966, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Waukegan-North Chicago, Waukegan, Illinois, advised SA [redacted] that [redacted], born [redacted] [redacted] were entered into file in 1959 at Zion and have resided at [redacted] for about four years. They previously lived at [redacted] Racine, Wisconsin. As of March, 1966, he was reportedly employed [redacted] Racine, and had past employments (dates not stated) [redacted] [redacted], Racine; [redacted] both Racine. She was employed by [redacted] [redacted] Racine, and reportedly transferred to [redacted] at Waukegan in August, 1962. They have [redacted]

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On September 16, 1966, [redacted] [redacted] advised [redacted] are not in service.

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AT RACINE, WISCONSIN:

On October 18, 1966, the Racine City Directory was searched and reflected the following information:

Telephone Number - 637-3640
Kresge's 5¢ & 10¢ Store

[REDACTED]
3699 Durand,
Racine, Wisconsin;

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Telephone Number - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
Assoc. Hospital Services,
4618 Westway Hospital;

Telephone Number - 637-8308
Belle City Veterinary

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[REDACTED]
4701 Spring Street,
Racine, Wisconsin;

Telephone Number - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
Belle City Veterinary Clinic,
1230 North Ohio,
Racine, Wisconsin;

Telephone Number - [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
Lake Shore Distributors,,
1214 Montclair Drive,
Racine, Wisconsin.

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AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN:

A check of the Kenosha Telephone Directory reflected that Poodle City, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is located at 4204 Green Bay Road, Kenosha, Wisconsin (a pet store).

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REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 12/28/66	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 10/21 - 12/20/66
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY duz
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	b6 b7C

REFERENCES

Report of SA [REDACTED] at Milwaukee, 10/21/66.

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1. Will maintain contact with logical sources and informants.
2. Will discuss facts of case with USA.
3. Will conduct preliminary surveillances in order to attempt a pattern of activity for subject prior to opening of the spring racing season.

Case has been: Pending over one year ☒ Yes ☐ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☒ No

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ADMINISTRATIVE

Period of instant report is lengthy which is due partially to re-assignment of several gambling cases from a transferred agent, and an apparent lack of reportable activity on the part of the subject.

It is generally suspected by all sources contacted that subject is booking but on a most discreet and somewhat limited basis.

On 12/13/66, [] advised SA [] that [] has seen nothing of and heard little of ALFRED DE CESARO. This informant pointed out there is no reason to believe subject is not booking but does not know who his contacts are. [] stated that DE CESARO is an exceptionally capable operator, and with his degree of caution candidly pointed out there is very little which can be done about it.

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On 12/19/66, [] advised that he has no current knowledge of ALFRED DE CESARO. He was worried, however, as a result of recent state gambling raids, not being certain how completely and thoroughly they had delved into local gambling activity. The informant stated that WARREN RASMUSSEN's operations were so blatantly arrogant by comparison to any operation being carried on by DE CESARO that it is reasonable to suspect that the state does not have the capabilities to discover DE CESARO's type of action.

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The source stated he has heard that DE CESARO limits his booking to trusted customers on his liquor sales route, and other known businessmen and friends preferably of the Italian element.

On 12/19/66, [] advised that he does not know liquor salesman [], and doubts that he has serviced the Timber Ridge Restaurant. The source stated he believes DE CESARO is still booking as always, but has received no recent word. He pointed out that DE CESARO will not take bets from just anybody.

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Inasmuch as the type of operation being carried on by DE CESARO is generally known, and he is, at least in the summer racing season, probably forwarding bets to the Illinois race tracks, particularly Arlington Park, facts will be discussed with USA, EDW, in order to be determined if he would consider prosecution of DE CESARO if the above facts could be borne out by continued investigation.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: December 28, 1966

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis: [REDACTED] advised 10/21/66, he has learned from confidential sources that DE CESARO is making book, but on a somewhat limited, and extremely discreet basis. Limited observations reflect no suspicious activity. Deputy Kenosha County SO contacted 12/13/66 advised he has no personal knowledge of DE CESARO's booking activities, but continues to hear idle rumors and gossip, that such activity is being conducted by subject.

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DETAILS: At Kenosha, Wisconsin:

On October 21, 1966, [REDACTED] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office advised he had checked all confidential sources available to him and has received information that ALFRED DE CESARO is definitely making book, but is doing it on a somewhat limited basis, confining his activities to trusted associates, friends, and customers, all most preferably of Italian descent.

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DE CESARO is extremely discreet in his activity and due to his previous arrest for bookmaking will not use a telephone. He most likely conveys his bets to the track personally, but [REDACTED] could offer no evidence that this is actually the case.

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On various occasions the most recent on December 19, 1966, attempts have been made by SA [redacted] to locate ALFRED DE CESARO at his home on the intersection of Highways 43 and 31. This is the location also of Poodles, Inc., an establishment operated by DE CESARO [redacted]. On no occasion has DE CESARO's two tone brown 1963 Rambler been observed at that location.

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He periodically is observed in the downtown area in this auto, but apparently conducting business of an innocuous nature.

He has been observed exiting from TORCASO's Shoe Repair, and BERENSON's Superior Cleaners, but bearing in hand package obviously pertaining to the conduct of those businesses.

On December 13, 1966, Deputy [redacted] Kenosha County, Bureau of Identification, Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advises he has no personal information that DE CESARO is making book, but has no doubt that he is. [redacted] stated that he, and for that matter no one else on the department to his knowledge has been attempting to cover DE CESARO's activities, and therefore, only knows what he hears through idle gossip and rumors.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 2/23/67	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 12/28/66 - 2/20/67
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA [REDACTED]	TYPED BY ra b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCE

Report of SA [REDACTED] at Milwaukee,
12/28/66.

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LEADSMILWAUKEE DIVISIONAt Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will maintain contact with logical sources and informants.
2. Will continue observations of subject's activities.

Case has been: Pending over one year ☒ Yes ☐ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☒ No

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ADMINISTRATIVE

On 2/8/67, [] advised that ALFRED DE CESARO has begun to return to old associations on the west side. He recently has been playing in weekly card games, participated in by WILLIAM COVELLI, (MIfile 92-506) []

[] He has also been appearing infrequently on the west side at Greco's Restaurant, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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Date: FEBRUARY 23, 1967

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Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis: DE CESARO observed talking to occupant of Wisconsin 1966 auto registration E43319, listed to STANLEY MILLER. MILLER described by local Sheriff's Office as long-time gambling and prostitution figure in local area. Surveillance conducted 1/11/67, reflected stops at many local taverns and building of a fire outside his home after returning to his home at 5:00 PM, 1/11/67.

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DETAILS:

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 9, 19671

The following observations were conducted relative to the activities of ALFRED DE CESARO on December 28, 1966, at Kenosha, Wisconsin:

11:41 AM - DE CESARO was observed conversing with an unidentified individual, who was operating a late model green Buick, bearing 1966 Wisconsin license E43-319. This auto was registered to STANLEY MILLER, Route 1, Box 881.

11:52 AM - Due to traffic conditions and lack of parking facilities, no further observations were possible.

On 12/28/66 at Kenosha, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28
by SA [redacted] /rab 2 Date dictated 1/3/67

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date January 23, 1967

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The following observations were conducted at Kenosha, Wisconsin, relative to the activities of ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, on January 11, 1967:

3:17 PM - ALFRED DE CESARO was observed talking to a man in a late model Rambler American, bearing 1966 Wisconsin license [redacted] registered to [redacted], Kenosha, Wisconsin, on the south end of the 6th Avenue bridge. DE CESARO was operating a 1966 yellow Ambassador, bearing 1966 Wisconsin license [redacted] registered to [redacted] [redacted] Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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3:18 PM - Observed green Rambler north on 6th Avenue to 50th Street; west on 50th Street to Sheridan, to [redacted] where auto turned in.

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3:30 PM - Observation of green Rambler discontinued.

3:30 PM - Proceed to Kelly's Bar, 4523 - 7th Avenue.

3:35 PM - Observed DE CESARO's auto, license number [redacted] parked at Kelly's Bar.

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3:40 PM - Out of Kelly's and proceed to Forty-Fifth on Seventeenth Restaurant, 4500 - 17th Avenue.

4:10 PM - Out of restaurant, west on 45th to 22nd and south to Vagabond Club, 4708 - 22nd Avenue.

4:23 PM - Out of Vagabond Club, south on 30th Avenue, west on 60th Street, south on 39th, west on 75th Street to House of Gerhard, 3927 - 75th Street.

On 1/11/67 at Kenosha, Wisconsin File # MI 166-28

by SA [redacted] /rab 3 Date dictated 1/17/67

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- 4:35 PM - Out of House of Gerhard, east on 75th Street, north on 39th, east on 52nd, north on 22nd.
- 4:44 PM - Stop at Vagabond Club.
- 4:54 PM - Out of Vagabond Club, north on 22nd Avenue to Parcenka's Tap, 22nd at Washington Road, pulls into lot, backs out and heads in opposite direction.
- 5:00 PM - Observed turning right on Washington Road and proceeded at high speed to home on Highway 31 and Highway 43. DE CESARO observed carrying small containers to a fire barrel north of his home and starting a fire.
- 5:02 PM - Observations discontinued.

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AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On February 16, 1967, Deputy [] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised that STANLEY MILLER, Route #1, Box 881, Kenosha County, Wisconsin, drives a late model green Buick, bearing 1966 Wisconsin license number E43-319.

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Deputy [] advised that STANLEY MILLER is an old-time gambler and pimp who was also a friend and business partner of slain juke box operator ANTHONY BIERNAT, murdered in gangland style in January of 1963, at Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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Deputy [] advised that he personally knew little of MILLER, other than his reputation. He stated BIERNAT worked for MILLER when he operated a gambling establishment on the corner of 50th Street and 7th Avenue in Kenosha, when BIERNAT had first gotten started in the juke box business.

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On February 16, 1967, [] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised that STANLEY MILLER has had a reputation as a gambler and a keeper of a house of ill fame since the early 1930's.

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[] stated that at one time MILLER operated the "Hurry-Inn" on South Sheridan Road, Kenosha, which was a house of prostitution. He stated Schneider's Junk Yard now occupies that location.

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[] stated that later on MILLER operated a tavern known as the "Smile As You Go By," across from the Flamingo Club in Kenosha. He stated MILLER had a horse-book operation and some cards were played there through the late 1940's and up to 1950.

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He stated that in 1950, a grand jury convened and caused the discontinuance of MILLER's operations, after which MILLER moved to Waukegan, Illinois. He stated that while in Waukegan, Illinois, MILLER operated several large running card games.

[] advised that MILLER had been arrested in Kenosha, for booking. [] further advised he would gather together some material on MILLER, which he would furnish on subsequent contact.

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[] advised there is a possibility that MILLER may be tied into DE CESARO's current operation and that he would attempt to find out, through a check with sources of the Kenosha County, Wisconsin Sheriff's Office.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 4/26/67	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 2/24/67 - 4/21/67
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA 	TYPED BY kdb b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCE: Report of SA at Milwaukee, 2/23/67.

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LEADS: MILWAUKEE DIVISION

At Kenosha, Wisconsin

1. Will maintain contact with logical sources and informants.
2. Will present facts of case to USA, EDW, if information is not developed in above contacts that subject's booking operation is being conducted in interstate commerce.

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Case has been: Pending over one year ☒ Yes ☐ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 4/26/67

Office: MILWAUKEE

Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING - GAMBLING

Synopsis:

[redacted] Kenosha SO, on 2/24/67, furnished background and descriptive data on subject's associate STANLEY MILLER, Deputy Sheriff, Kenosha SO, advised 3/8/67, that subject obtained consent from Chicago and Milwaukee "syndicates" before going into operation after arrest by Federal authorities 3 years ago. Attempts to follow activities of subject on 4/17/67 and 4/21/67, negative.

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DETAILS:

On 2/24/67, [redacted] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, furnished the following background information on STANLEY MILLER, who was observed talking to DE CESARO on 12/28/66:

Name:	STANLEY JOSEPH MILLER
Address:	91 Johns Drive, Pleasant Homes, Kenosha, Wisconsin
Race:	White
Sex:	Male
Height:	69"
Weight:	185 lbs.
Date of birth:	3/14/07
Hair:	Grey
Eyes:	Blue
Nationality:	Polish
Selective Service No.:	036-29-2113
KSD No.:	9622
Employment:	Orchard Hill Country Club

Arrests:

11/6/64 - Contempt of Court;
no other notation regarding
this information in Sheriff's
Office files

12/5/31 - MPD Dyer Act,
T.O.T. Federal Agents 12/7/31;
prosecution declined USA

5/16/32 - USM, Violation NPA;
six months; \$250 fine

12/21/40 - Alien registration

4/11/52 - Fugitive, Kenosha
County, Wisconsin; released
on bond (Result of John Doe
gambling warrant)

11/6/64 - Commercial gambling;
no disposition given

[redacted] advised that the Fugitive Warrant from Kenosha had caused MILLER to flee to Waukegan, Illinois, where MILLER operated various illicit games and prostitution activity. [redacted] believes that MILLER's ability to operate in the Chicago area is proof of a link between certain hoodlum figures in the Kenosha area and an overall link between Chicago and Milwaukee hoodlum figures. [redacted] pointed out that in the past, he has suggested that arrangements were made between Milwaukee and Chicago hoodlum figures to keep ALFRED DE CESARO's operation under the control of Chicago. DE CESARO has always been a close associate of STANLEY MILLER. [redacted] reiterated the possibility that MILLER has an interest in DE CESARO's booking operation, although due to age, is most likely not operating himself.

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On 4/14/67, [redacted] advised he has learned nothing new regarding DE CESARO's booking operation and has been unable to discover any information which would reflect any Federal Violation of law.

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On 4/17/67, and 4/21/67, attempts were made to follow activities of the subject in this case, with negative results.

MI 166-28

On 3/8/67, [redacted] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised he had learned from a confidential source that ALFRED DE CESARO's booking operation is being permitted by the Milwaukee and Chicago "outfits." According to [redacted] source, DE CESARO had been ordered to refrain from further gambling activity after his arrest by Internal Revenue Service Agents three years ago. DE CESARO, however, is supposed to have gone to WILLIAM "WEASER" COVELLI within the past year or year and a half and requested that he again be permitted to book. COVELLI is supposed to have carried the matter to FRANK BALISTRERI of Milwaukee, who obtained concensus from the Chicago outfit. DE CESARO was then allowed to resume operations, but was warned to be extremely discreet in doing so.

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SAC, CHICAGO (166-134)

6/30/67

SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)(P)

ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

Extensive investigation has been conducted to determine if subject is engaged in interstate gambling. Information was recently developed that subject is engaged in booking operations in Kenosha, but no information has been developed indicating any interstate aspects to this operation. Chicago is in possession of previous investigation in this case.

During the latter part of December, 1966, subject was observed associating with STANLEY JOSEPH MILLER, formerly of Kenosha, who, according to the Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, now resides at Waukegan, Illinois, and who possibly is a link between the hoodlum element in the Chicago area and subject in Kenosha. [redacted] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised in April, 1967, that subject's operation is under the control of Chicago.

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LEADS

CHICAGO OFFICE

AT CHICAGO AND WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

Will contact logical sources and informants familiar with the hoodlum element, to determine if subject is engaged in any interstate gambling activities.

MILWAUKEE OFFICE

AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

Will, upon receipt of reply from Chicago, present facts of case to USA, Milwaukee.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (166-28)




FROM : *JVM* SAC, CHICAGO (166-134) (RUC)

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO
ITAR - GAMBLING

DATE: 8/29/67

Re Milwaukee letter dated 6/30/67.

The following informants having knowledge of gambling matters in Chicago and Lake County, Illinois, were contacted on the dates indicated:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Informant</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
8/17/67		SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT
8/23/67		SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT
8/24/67		SA 
8/24/67		SA 
8/16/67		SA JOHN R. BASSETT
8/24/67		SA LLOYD H. NELSON

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None of the above were able to furnish any information regarding subject.

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1 - Chicago

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (166-28)

DATE: 8/28/67

FROM : Director, FBI (166-723)

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

Advise Bureau when report in this matter
will be submitted.

8/30/67

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Director, FBI (166-723)

August 30, 1967

SAC, Milwaukee (166-28)

ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR - GAMBLING

ReBulet 8-28-67.

Report will be submitted by 9-10-67.

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REPORTING OFFICE MILWAUKEE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN MILWAUKEE	DATE 9/8/67	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD 6/6/67 - 9/7/67
TITLE OF CASE ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka		REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted]	TYPED BY eak b6 b7C
		CHARACTER OF CASE ITAR - GAMBLING	

REFERENCE

Report of SA [redacted], 4/26/67, Milwaukee.
 Milwaukee letter to Chicago, 6/30/67.
 Chicago letter to Milwaukee, 8/29/67.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This report covers a lengthy investigative period which is due to re-assignment of personnel, lack of reportable activity on part of Subject and the fact that results of outstanding lead to determine if Subject was known to be active in adjoining state were not received prior to time agent to whom assigned left Division for In-Service training.

The following informants of the Chicago Office, having knowledge of gambling matters in Chicago, Ill. and Lake County, Ill.

Case has been: Pending over one year ☒ Yes ☐ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☒ No

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SPECIAL AGENT
IN CHARGE

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1 - USA, Milwaukee

② - Milwaukee (166-28)

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(which county adjoins Kenosha County, Wis.) were contacted on the dates indicated and advised they were in possession of no info concerning Subject:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Identity</u>	<u>Contacting Agent</u>
8/17/67	<div></div>	SA PAUL B. FRANKFURT
8/23/67		SA PAUL R. FRANKFURT
8/24/67		SA <div></div>
8/24/67		SA <div></div>
8/16/67		SA JOHN R. BASSETT
8/24/67		SA LLOYD H. NELSON

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On the dates indicated, the following informants, familiar with some phases of gambling matters in the Kenosha, Wis. area, were contacted by SA concerning Subject and advised they are aware of no interstate gambling activities on the part of Subject:

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A review of Subject's file shows that a thorough investigation has developed no evidence of interstate gambling activities on part of Subject. In view of this, no further investigation is being conducted at this time, and case is being closed to be reopened if any info is developed indicating interstate activities on part of Subject.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Milwaukee

Report of: SA [REDACTED]
Date: 9/8/67

Office: MILWAUKEE

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Field Office File #: MI 166-28

Bureau File #: 166-723

Title: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO

Character: INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF RACKETEERING -
GAMBLING

Synopsis: No info developed indicating interstate gambling activities.

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DETAILS: AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

On September 7, 1967, [REDACTED] Kenosha County Sheriff's Office, advised that he has developed no additional information regarding the booking operations of DE CESARO. He stated that no information has come to his attention recently indicating that the Subject is engaged in any interstate gambling activities.

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On September 7, 1967, Detective [REDACTED] Kenosha Police Department, advised that he has developed no information indicating that the Subject is engaged in any local or interstate gambling activities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (162-New)

DATE: 10/31/67

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: UNKNOWN SUBJECT; aka
POODLE CITY, INC.,
Kenosha, Wisconsin
IGA

On 10/30/67, PCI [REDACTED] (PROTECT IDENTITY),
Racine, Wisconsin, advised that he had recently engaged in
conversation [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and that this individual (whom informant did not
further describe) alleged that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Kenosha, Wisconsin.

According to [REDACTED] this is an operation that has
[REDACTED]

It was further alleged that [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Informant advised that in as much as this matter was
discussed in the normal course of business and was casual in
nature, he did not press [REDACTED] for details. Informant
stated that reliability of information furnished by this
person is unknown and that this was the first that he had
ever heard of any booking-type operation [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

In view of above, it is recommended that a new 162
case be opened and assigned to determine if a possible Federal
violation exists as a result of this alleged operation.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, MILWAUKEE (162-217) (P)

DATE: 12/15/67

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: Unknown Subject; aka
POODLE CITY, INC.,
Kenosha, Wisconsin
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Re SA [REDACTED] memo to SAC, captioned above, 10/31/67.

On 12/5/67 a review of MI 92-318 revealed information that AL DeCesaro operated a French Poodle dog-care business, [REDACTED] out of their home in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

A review of MI 166-28 Captioned ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka, ITAR -GAMBLING reflected DE CESARO has been engaged in booking operation in the past and allegedly had obtained consensus from TALISTRIERI of Milwaukee to resume operations but to be extremely discreet in doing so. This information was contained in report dated 4/26/67.

On 12/7/67 [REDACTED], Kenosha County Sheriff's Office advised that POODLE CITY was [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He further advised that he had not heard any information that DECESARO was operating a booking operation out of this location however he further advised that even though DE CESARO was engaged in a liquor business out of Racine, he was sure in his own mind DE CESARO would never give up his operation of taking bet because it was in his blood. He advised however that he was sure it would be an extremely discreet operation and that DE CESARO would only be taking bet on a highly selective basis, as in the past DECESARO had been approached by the West side crowd controlled by WHEEZER COVELLI to take bet for them but even refused this. He further advised that he would attempt to ascertain activity in any at the residence of the DE CESARO [REDACTED]

On 12/7/67 [REDACTED] confidentially advised that Poodle City, Inc. is located at 4204 Greenbay road, Kenosha County, Wis. and according to [REDACTED] the listing is for [REDACTED]

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In view of the above it is recommended this case be consolidated with MI 116-28 and that file pertaining to ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO be reopened in effort to determine if a booking operation is being conducted in interstate commerce.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee

DATE: 1/18/68

FROM : SA [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO, aka
ITAR -GAMBLING
OO: MI

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On 1/10/68 [REDACTED] Kenosha County Sheriff Dept.

advised he had received no information indicating DeCESARO was engaged in any gambling activity but that he would continue his efforts to attempt to determine if any action was taking place at the Poodle City establishment. b6 b7C

On 1/17/68 Lt. [REDACTED] Det. Div., Kenosha, Wis. PD advised he had not heard anything concerning any gambling being conducted by DeCESARO. *5 rpf*

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LEADS:

Milwaukee at RACINE, WIS.

Will contact PCI [REDACTED] for any information he may have developed in this matter.

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*Assign lead
Racine to [REDACTED] (see 471)*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Milwaukee (166-28) (P*)
ATTN: SA [redacted]

DATE: 2/12/68

FROM : SA [redacted]

SUBJECT: ALFRED FRANK DE CESARO; aka
ITAR - GAMBLING
OO: MI

Re Memo of SA [redacted] 2/5/68 and Memo of ASAC 2/7/68
concerning Territorial Assignments.

In accordance with change in territorial assignments it is recommended this case be reassigned SA [redacted] in respect to his coverage of hoodlum matters in Kenosha County. It is noted that SA [redacted] is familiar with informants and sources who have coverage of this subject and due to his connections with top hoods and hoodlums in the Kenosha County area it is logical this case be reassigned to SA [redacted]

*Route Sines 191, 194 & 195 to SA [redacted] upon reassignment.
as well as photo of subject attached*

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SA [REDACTED]

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ALFRED DE CESARO
ITAR

On 5/13/68 PCI [REDACTED] advised DE CESARO was accepting bets on horses at Tel. [REDACTED] PCI alleged the phone is being handled by ANGELO GERMINANO.

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LEAD

MILWAUKEE, AT MILWAUKEE, WIS

Will contact reliable source [REDACTED] and determine to whom [REDACTED] location of same.

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